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FIGHT ON COCOS ISLAND.

Earl Fitzwilliam's Party Defeated By Men Under Harold W. S. Grey.

New York, Jan. 14.—A Panama dispatch to the Herald, dated January 13th, says:

"From Costa Rica comes the news of an encounter between rival bands of treasure hunters on Cocos Island, where a traditionary pirates' treasure is said to be buried.

"The expedition under Lord Fitzwilliam was defeated by the men under command of Harold W. S. Grey.

"Lord Fitzwilliam and his party reached the island on the yacht Veronique, to find it had been preceded by the Grey expedition on the yacht Ross Marine. The latter party had a Costa Rican concession to search for the treasure, and objected to the presence of the Fitzwilliam force. A fight followed and Fitzwilliam and his company were beaten off. The Costa Rican government sent the gunboat Turrialbiat to establish and preserve order on the island.

CUSTOMS CLERKS.

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—J. Doig, J. Roach and A. C. Garvery have been appointed to customs clerkships at Vancouver. Two are additional appointments owing to the increase of customs business, and the third replaces Mr. Maxwell.

RAIDERS REPULSED BY THE JAPANESE

THE RUSSIANS LEFT SIXTY-TWO DEAD ON FIELD

The Czar's Message to the Army and Navy--Says Russia's Strength Grows With Adversity.

(Associated Press.)

Tokio, Jan. 14.—Additional reports from the Japanese headquarters says that Russian cavalry, which was defeated in the neighborhood of Yinkow on Wednesday, retreated in a disorderly condition to North Takaoan, south of Newchwang, leaving 62 killed and six wounded behind. Many abandoned their arms and accoutrements in their flight.

It is believed Russian casualties exceed 200.

The Japanese routed the Russians near Newchwang on Friday.

JAPS LOST ONE DEAD AND FIFTEEN WOUNDED.

Tokio, Jan. 14.—The Japanese casualties in the recent fighting at Newchwang and other places, involved in the Russian raid, are estimated at one killed and fifteen wounded, all non-commissioned officers or privates. The Russion total losses are estimated at over 300. The Japanese report that the supplies and munitions stored at Newchwang and Niuchiatun were not damaged.

Prince Fushimi and his suite are expected to arrive at Tokio to-night.

The naval and military attaches, members of parliament and others who left Yokohama on December 28th on board the Japanese transport Manshu to witness the fall of Port Arthur, have returned to Tokio. They visited General Nogi and Field Marshal Oyama while on their journey.

ACTIVITY AMONG THE JAPANESE TROOPS.

Huanshan, Jan. 13.—Via Mukden, Jan. 14.—Chinese who have arrived here from Yinkow report that Feld Marshal Oyama has been there since December inspecting troops.

They also report that a Japanese military base has been established on the island of Liuka, and that many troops are arriving there who do not resemble Japanese.

According to the Chinese, the troops at Yinkow are being drilled in artillery practice. There are 50,000 men there, and it is expected that as soon as they are trained they will be sent to the front. It is said there is a concentration of troops at Domitan, east of the railway, and that large bodies of troops are forming on each flank of the Japanese positions. The Japanese are building numerous armored trucks for the railroad and armored wagons for the automobile quick-firers.

The Japanese also are buying large quantities of wire and grindstones for putting a battle edge on all sabres which are being moved to the front.

Much drilling is proceeding at all parts of the Japanese lines. Many new Japanese troops have been moved into position and received their baptism of fire on January 7th.

GENERAL STOESSEL ARRIVES AT NAGASAKI.

Nagasaki, Jan. 14.—The Japanese transport Kamakuru, which left Port Dalny on January 11th, with General Stoessel and others on board, arrived here early this morning. Governor Arakawa with the chief officials of this port proceeded on board the Kamakuru at three in the afternoon. General and Madame Stoessel, two of the Russian commander's personal staff, seven other officers, two ladies and six orphan children were landed in three steam launches at the Amasa jetty, where they were received by a guard of fifty police and several officers. The Russian general was attired in a gray military overcoat and wore his sword. He looked well and walked with a stately step. Preceded by a few police officers and followed by his retinue, General Stoessel slowly wended his way up the hill to a prettily situated bungalow on Anashi hill, where he will be quartered. Half way up some dozens of the Russian officers, finding that their late chief was arrivingi, ran up from all directions and saluted in respectful silence. The party then entered the house. The closing act of the great drama caused a feeling of sadness which was not dispelled by the glorious weather, beautiful surroundings and kind reception accorded to the Russians by the Japanese.

RUSSIA WILL YET BREAK POWER OF JAPAN.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—The Emperor has addressed the following to the army and navy:

"Port Arthur has passed into the hands of the enemy. During eleven months fighting has been going on in its defence. More than seven months its noble defenders had been cut off from the rest of the world. Without any positive assurance of relief, they continued to fight, and did everything in their power to check the progress of the enemy, sparing neither life nor heart's blood to uphold the honor of the Russian people. Russia, with pride and admiration, followed each move in the contest. The whole world was astounded at their gallantry, but daily their ranks were thinned, their powers of resistance diminished, and under repeated attacks by the enemy they were obliged to give way.

"Peace, honor and undying memory will be the portion of the Russians who have fallen in the defence of Port Arthur. Far from home you have laid your bodies upon alien soil, a sacrifice to the dictates of your own honor and the command of your Emperor.

"Peace and honor is your portion. Always will you be so held in our hearts and memory.

"Honor to the living. May God restore you to health and strength and give you patience to face this disaster with which you are confronted.

"My gallant troops and sailors, do not let this sorrow dismay you. Our enemy is strong and daring. This fight against them occurs 7,000 miles from our home, but Russia is powerful. In the thousand years of its existence have been still heavier trials, worse and more threatening dangers, but Russia ever arose from each with renewed force and strength. Do not let your souls be troubled by the lack of success and heavy losses. Russia's strength grows with adversity.

"With all Russia is the belief that the time is coming when God will give strength to our glorious army and navy to arise and break the forces of the enemy. (Signed) Nicholas."

BRAVERY OF JAP SAILORS UNRIVALLED.

Tokio, Jan. 14.—Lieut.-Gen. Nadien, who is one of the Russian officers who gave their parole at Port Arthur and who has arrived here, is sixty-five years old. He said to an interviewer:

"When I entered Port Arthur I was a major-general. Since then I have been promoted to the rank of lieutenant-general and commanded the fourth division during the siege. I lived in the trenches. The bravery shown by the Japanese navy is beyond comparison. Its achievements are unparalleled. With the Japanese navy and the Russian army nothing in the whole world could withstand us. Our soldiers are unrivalled. It seems shameful to kill such splendid men. I lament the tremendous sacrifice of life on both sides.

"The Emperor is a good sovereign, who is rarely seen. He seems to be disgusted at the cruelties of the war. I wish for peace. I think hostilities will cease during the coming autumn at the latest."

CLAIMS JAPANESE HAVE BEEN CHECKED.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—New Year reviews by the latest newspapers admit frankly that the Japanese have had the better of the war so far, but the whole tone of the press is summed up in the following statement in the Russ: "They have done well, but not well enough. They have entrenched themselves in Korea as though they were at home, have captured Port Arthur and made a conquest of most of southern Manchuria, but are face to face with a Russian army of equal numbers, and they are checked. The new year will show the Russian flag raised again along the borders of the warm water."

The Vremya alone comments on the China neutrality, and says that Secretary Hay's plan for the limitation of the war zone has broken down. China will not preserve her neutrality. In conclusion, the Novoe Vremya says it is a situation wherein Russia must no longer rely upon international diplomacy, but must take steps for her own protection.

THE PROPOSED CLOSE SEASON FOR SALMON

Consideration of Subject Delayed Until Views of Opposing Parties Can Be Heard.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—At an interview today between Hon. R. Prefontaine, Hon. Senator Templeman and the British Columbia members, Dr. Bell-Irving, Robert Kerr and Mr. Anderson, of Vancouver, representing the canners, were present. The subject discussed was to have a close salmon season in 1906 and 1908. The state of Washington agrees to do this, and it is necessary to have the matter decided at once, because the state legislature is in session and an act will have to be passed. Canada can do it by order-in-council.

G. Riley, Victoria, received a telegram from the Board of Trade and others representing cannery interests in Victoria, asking for a delay until a petition is received opposed to the close season.

It was decided to postpone consideration of the matter until Tuesday to give the opposing parties time to have their reasons wired to Ottawa.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Port Townsend, Jan. 14.—Seattle's wireless station was formally opened this morning and the first messages flashed between that point and this city.

The Pacific Wireless Telegraph Co. first entered the field in the summer of 1903. Port Townsend was selected as the central point, and the first station built here. Another followed at Fort Casey, and the two were thrown open on October 17th of that year. The company now has stations also at Friday Harbor and on the revenue cutter Grant, while Victoria has one building.

President Roosevelt has issued an order that Mr. Bristow, former fourth assistant postmaster-general, should be appointed a special commissioner to visit the ports on the Atlantic coast of the United States and Pacific coast and the Isthmus of Panama for the purpose of examining into trade conditions, with a view of facilitating the transportation trade across the Isthmus via the Panama railroad.

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RUSSIAN SHIPS IN FRENCH PORTS

PROTEST ENTERED BY THE JAPANESE PRESS

Claim France is Committing Breach of Neutrality in Allowing Warships to Remain at Madagascar.

(Associated Press.)

Tokio, Jan. 14.—(Noon.)—The French are sharply criticised for permitting the ships of the second Pacific squadron of the Russian navy to make a prolonged stay at Madagascar. Heretofore the Japanese press and people, realizing the peculiar position in which France was placed, were not disposed to judge her actions too severely, but the Asahi to-day says:

"It is no longer possible to overlook the French non-observance of neutrality, nor her disregard of the obligations of a neutral. The coaling of the ships of the second Pacific squadron in French ports has culminated in allowing Rear-Admiral Rojestvensky to remain ten or twelve days waiting reinforcements, and in the use of Madagascar as a base of operations against the Japanese fleet now reported in the Indian ocean.

"Such action is little less than hostile and if France is sincere in her promise of strict neutrality the ships of the second Pacific squadron ought long ago to have been sent away or disarmed.

"Further temporizing for the purpose of rendering assistance to the Russian vessels must be considered a serious breach of neutrality."

Thanks the Germans.

Berlin, Jan. 14.—The Japanese government, taking cognizance of an impression that Germany has not observed strict neutrality, has sent a formal dispatch of thanks to the German government. It expresses the conviction that Germany has fulfilled her duties as a neutral throughout the war with exactness, and especially during the recent events in the war zone.

THE GRAND THEATRE.

Arabs in Gun Drilling, Tumbling, Etc., Will Be Feature of Next Week's Programme.

The Grand theatre on Johnson street closes this week's excellent programme with three performances to-night, beginning at 7.30. The wonderful sword swallowing act of the Clifords has been the feature of the week's bill, and O'Brien and West, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Morrell, the Curtis sisters, Frederic Roberts and the Japanese war pictures all contribute to a most delightful entertainment.

For next week Manager Jamieson has secured as the leading feature, almost direct from the St. Louis exhibition, the Shak-Hadji-Tahar troupe of seven Arabs, in gun drilling, whirling dervishes, acrobatic pyramids, tumbling, dancing and portraying Arabic pastimes. This act is the most expensive by far ever brought to the city and forms the major part of the programme. In addition, however, there will be Clem. Magee, in monologue and singing cartoon work; Miss Cole Frances Bower, double voiced nightingale, in soprano and baritone selections; Frederic Roberts, in the illustrated song, "Please Come and Play in My Yard," and a new line of moving pictures.

The Arabs have been a distinct sensation from St. Louis West, and the Grand will no doubt play to capacity during the whole of next week. There will be a matinee on Monday at 3 p. m.

NO TRACE OF CHILDREN.

Nanaimo Mystery Is Not Cleared Up Though One Hundred and Fifty Men Are Searching.

The search for the children lost several days ago in Nanaimo has been unattended with success so far. With reference to yesterday's search the Herald says:

"In accordance with plans arranged on Thursday evening, a large crowd of men assembled on Haliburton street yesterday morning and at once proceeded to the vicinity of Southfield to take up the search where it had been left off on the previous day. By 9 o'clock fully 150 men and boys had gathered and were at once organized into an orderly body under the orders of J. H. Hawthornthwaite and Andrew Haslam. The men were lined out at intervals of five yards. At the word of command the whole line advanced, searching every nook and corner as they went, looked under and around all the fallen timber, and, in fact, it is safe to say that not a single square foot of ground was left uncovered from the time the start was made until the whole line reached the fence enclosing the farm of Mr. Gillett, fully a mile distant.

"The search yesterday was continued faithfully till dark, when the men arrived home properly tired with their long day's work, and quite at a loss to know what to do next. As six inches of snow fell yesterday evening it has made further search to-day impossible, and there is only one place where the children might be in that section of country.

"At present there is no further plan proposed, everybody being at a loss to know what to do in view of the thorough search that has been made, and absolutely no trace of the children discovered."

—Magistrate Hall in the police court on Friday sentenced a young man named William Norman to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labor for the theft of a pair of shoes.

WRESTLER HURT.

Vissar Dislocated His Shoulder and Had to Retire.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Capt. Vissar and John Rooney each won a fall in their wrestling match here last night. Vissar dislocated his shoulder after the second fall and had to retire. The bout was contested under Graeco-Roman rules, Vissar getting the first fall in eight minutes and twenty-two seconds. It took Rooney but one minute and forty-four seconds to win the second on a three-quarters Nelson.

THE POPE'S LETTER.

Deals With Conditions in South America —Condemns "The Right of Rebellion."

(Associated Press.)

Williamstad, Curacao, Jan. 14.—Advices received here show that the Archbishop of Caracas, the Most Rev. G. B. Castro, has learned from the Vatican that the Pope, approving of the archbishop's suggestion, is about to issue a most important encyclical letter addressed to the episcopacy, clergy and people of Latin America.

The Pontiff in this letter recognizes the unhappy condition of the Central and South American republics and attributes it to internal wars, which prevent the development of free institutions and disturbs the peace indespensable to progress and civilization.

The encyclical condemns what South Americans called "The right of rebellion" as being the origin of all evil, urges peace and the observance of Christian principles, establishes the duties of the people and their ruler and recommends the clergy and episcopacy in the fulfillment of their duties to set an example to the people.

HOW MARKSMEN WON THE TROPHY

AMERICANS' RIFLES HAD BALL BEARINGS

The Advantage Thus Enjoyed Enabled Uncle Sam's Team to Capture Palma Trophy.

An interesting story, containing many inside particulars of circumstances bearing on the memorable contest for the Palma trophy which, it will be remembered was captured at Bisley by the United States team under conditions that roused considerable controversy, was told to a Times representative by Capt. Orlan C. Cullen the other day. It was during a conversation regarding the application of the ball-bearing principle to small arms that the captain remarked that his invention had been highly successful in this direction, as barrels manufactured by him were used by the American team when they crossed the ocean to compete at the great English range.

The circumstances under which he received the commission to make the barrels were these: An official of the United States ordnance department approached him with a request that he manufacture a certain number of rifle barrels with ball-bearings to within nine inches of the muzzle. The officer did not inform the captain as to what purpose they would be devoted, and the inventor didn't consider it his business to inquire. He only knew that they were ordered for the government. He made the barrels as directed, and delivered them in accordance with instructions.

Some time subsequent to the Bisley meeting and the capture of the Palma trophy the captain in a chance conversation learned for the first time what had been done with the ordnance parts made at this factory. He was talking to a United States army officer on a train, when the latter remarked: "Oh, by the way, those barrels of yours raised quite a row in that Palma affair, didn't they?" Quite astonished Capt. Cullen inquired what the other meant. "What," asked the officers in astonishment, "didn't you know that your invention was used in the rifles of the American team at Bisley?" The captain replied that he did not; that when commissioned to make them he was not apprised of the object for which they were wanted.

In view of the advantage which the ball-bearings in the American guns gave the competitors from the States over their competitors, the captain was not surprised to learn of their victory.

His .303 gun has a muzzle velocity of 3,200 foot-seconds, and a point-blank range of 650 yards, compared with the 480 of the British service rifle of the same bore, using exactly the same charge, and, while the latter can drive its bullet through 72 one-inch boards, the Cullen gun can penetrate 116. The Cullen gun of the same calibre is 6-in. or 7-in. shorter, though its weight is about the same, because the barrel is thicker, and its rifling makes four complete turns, against three in the Lee-Enfield. The balls used in the grooves of a rifle of this calibre are one-tenth of an inch in diameter; in a 4-in gun they are three-quarters of an inch.

Capt. Cullen claims that while the American team did not use the regulation service rifle, their English cousins were equally at fault. The weapon they employed at Bisley, he said, was also specially constructed for the purpose, according to information obtained by him while in the Old Country. It was manufactured at Birmingham, although it bore the government stamp.

IMPORTANT PLANTS BEING CONSIDERED

NEGOTIATIONS UNDER WAY FOR IRON WORKS

Report That a Saw Mill and Extensive Wharf May Also Be Constructed.

For some weeks a number of Victoria's wealthiest and most influential business men have been considering plans which, if carried through, will place this city in the fore rank of commercial cities on the coast. At least two projects of the most momentous character are under advisement, the successful consummation of either of which would give Victoria a place in business life which she has heretofore not occupied, and at the same time more than compensate for any loss she may sustain in the removal of the naval base from Esquimalt.

Strange as it may appear, both enterprises are projected for Esquimalt. As they are in process of negotiation more than mere allusion to them cannot now be made. Esquimalt harbor, if abandoned by the navy, is too good a location to be overlooked, and no sooner had the announcement been made that the navy intended withdrawing than business men set designs on the place. Cannerymen have located two sites to be build on this year, and the request has gone forward to the Dominion government looking to the taking over from the Imperial government of the naval anchorage grounds. The object ostensibly given for this, and in itself a very worthy and commendable one, was that such vessels as the Minnesota should be given shelter in the port when desired. But back of all there is said to be a more imperative reason why the harbor should, if required no longer by the Imperial authorities, be thrown open to the general commerce of the seas.

A company, it is said, is being organized which will have for its object the building of a large wharf such as will accommodate ships of the largest tonnage, and also the erection of a saw-mill for the supply of foreign markets. When it is remembered what could be saved in the way of insurance and towage on lumber ships stopping here instead of proceeding to the Mainland, it will be recognized that any project of the kind, if property undertaken and managed, should prove a paying investment.

The other enterprise referred to is the establishment on Vancouver Island, in close proximity to Esquimalt, possibly in Esquimalt, of iron works. Both local and English capital are interested in this, and it is stated that one Victorian has been found who is willing to put up a hundred thousand dollars in the venture. It is no doubt to this undertaking that R. P. Rithet referred to when, in an interview some days ago, he is reported to have said: "The time was not far distant when the immense iron deposits of Vancouver Island would be exploited and the numerous industries that always follow in the train of iron and steel works established. He was aware that the possibilities of iron and steel production on this Coast was being investigated by capital, and while this industry was one hitherto without his sphere of operation, still he was of the firm opinion that the iron and steel industry could be profitably established on Vancouver Island. Virtually lying alongside of one another were all the necessary ores, fluxes and fuel. The Pacific states, the Orient and Australia provided a foreign market, while the extensive railway development in this province and the great Northwest would provide an ever increasing demand at home."

Negotiations with regard to the iron works have been going on for months in a private way, and have now reached a stage where something will either be done very shortly or the scheme will be left in abeyance indefinitely. More than this the Times is not justified in saying at present. It is unnecessary to mention here the enormous development that is bound to accrue to the building of works of this kind or to the advantages Victoria will reap.

There is, however, every reason to believe that Victoria is on the eve of more prosperous times than she has ever seen. The cement works, twelve miles or less from the heart of the city, are nearing completion and should be in operation next month; cannerymen will have something like six traps and at least two canneries going this year; the commencement of work on the Grand Trunk Pacific is bound to stimulate local trade; supplies are to be purchased in British Columbia, and in Victoria among other places, for the Japanese; and in so far as the city business is concerned there is the probability that the municipal government will have to expend during the coming year a large sum of money in providing a new waterworks system. The new C. P. R. hotel will also be in course of erection, so that there is reason to expect that Victoria is on the eve of a prosperous period that will prove an epoch in her history.

EARL CAIRNS DEAD.

(Associated Press.)

Cannes, France, Jan. 14.—Earl Cairns was found dead in bed at the Union Club here this morning. His death is attributed to heart failure.

The Earl (when Viscount Garmoyle) was the defendant in a noted breach of promise case, and had to pay Miss Fortescue, the actress, $50,000. He was born in 1863 and was not married.

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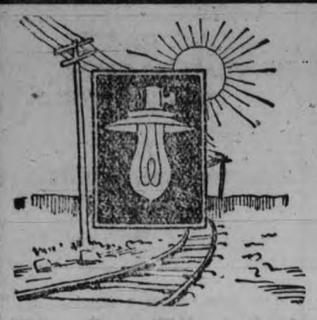

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GEN. STOESSEL TAKES ALL BLAME

FOR THE PREMATURE SURRENDER OF FORTRESS

Another Body of Russian Raiders Repulsed—The Czar's Note on China's Attitude.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—It is announced that General Stoessel, in bidding farewell to the Russian troops at Port Arthur, thanked the officers and men for the heroic defence and said he considered that the Japanese terms were the best it was possible to have offered. He added that he would take all the blame for the premature surrender of the fortress.

There is a growing sentiment here to discourage further criticism of General Stoessel's action in damaging the ships and fortifications at Port Arthur after his letter looking to the opening of negotiations for capitulation was sent to Gen. Nogi. The Nichi Nichi to-day authoritatively says that there is no question as to the rights of the Russians to blow up their warships and damage their guns while negotiations were pending, and it points out that they showed their good faith by stopping the destruction of property immediately that the capitulation compact was signed.

REPULSED WITH LOSS OF EIGHTY MEN.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—A report from the Japanese army headquarters on the Liaotung peninsula, received to-day, says: "A body of Russians, evidently from Gen. Mistchenke's cavalry brigade, with the second infantry regiment, railroad guards and guns recently surrounded the Japanese post at Niuchatun, north of Yikow, on the line of communications, and assaulted it from the direction of Siantziatan. The Russians were repulsed with a loss of at least 80 men."

RUSSIA AND THE ATTITUDE OF CHINA.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14, 2.15 a.m.—Russia's formal notification to the powers of the imminent danger of a general uprising in China as the result of a Japanese propaganda, which will threaten all foreign interests, coupled with a general protest against China's repeated violation of neutrality in connection with Japanese operations, is really a warning to the powers that Russia regards the situaton as extremely serious, and considers that the time has come for joint action by the powers for the protection of their interests. For herself, Russia considers that Japan has broken the pledge she made with respect to Secretary Hay's note at the beginning of the war, and further persistence in this course will, she considers, absolve her from further observance and leave her free to act for her own protection.

The present case follows two preliminary warnings addressed to the powers, one in October and the other in November, "neither of which was heeded." It has an entirely different ring, setting forthe breaches of Chinese neutrality.

Should General Ma or any Chinese troops now move Russia will feel herself compelled to cross the Liao river into the neutral zone. As for the powers, Russia believes the situation has become serious owing to the stimulus given anti-foreign agitation in China by the fall of Port Arthur.

In diplomatic circles considerable importance is attached to the note, and in the general opinion it is designed to induce Secretary Hay to initiate steps to bring joint pressure to bear, in order to prevent the extension of the zone of hostilities and to compel China to adopt drastic measures against the present agitation in the interior of that empire.

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HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINE

Will Continue to Land and Embark Passengers at Cuxhaven.

Berlin, Jan. 13.—The Hamburg-American Steamship Company telegraphs as follows from Hamburg in reply to the Associated Press inquiry on the subject of the Frankfurter Zeitung's report yesterday that the company was to give up Cuxhaven as a terminus:

"We do not intend to give up Cuxhaven. We will land and embark passengers there as heretofore."

Special telegrams from Hamburg say that the facilities for handling freight are so much better at Hamburg than at Cuxhaven that it will be economical to discharge cargo at Hamburg.

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SAILORS SENTENCED.

Four Years' Imprisonment for Murder of Chinaman as Result of Quarrel.

Shanghai, Jan. 13.—The naval court-martial at the Russian consulate here to-day sentenced the two sailors of the Russian cruiser Askold, charged with the murder of a Chinaman on December 15th, the result of a quarrel, to four years' imprisonment and to loss of all civil rights. The Taotai of Shanghai declined to send a representative to attend the court-martial.

PREFECT OF MOSCOW.

Moscow, Jan. 13.—It is stated that Gen. Volkoff will be appointed prefect of this city, Moscow, thereby passing to a civil governorship similar to that of St. Petersburg. Grand Duke Sergius will remain as governor of the general military district.

HEADACHES AND NEURALGIA FROM COLDS.—Laxative Bromo Quinine, the world wide Cold and Grip remedy, removes the cause. Call for the full name and look for signature of E. W. Grove. 25c.

THE SUGAR TAX.

Chancellor of Exchequer Does Not Hold Out Any Hope of a Change.

London, Jan. 13.—Replying to-day to an influential deputation of representatives of the sugar using industries, who complained that the sugar tax is highly injurious to their trades, Chancellor of the Exchequer Austin Chamberlain defended the fairness of the tax. He said he could not hold out any hope in the present state of the country's finances that that which brought in $30,000,000 annually could be abolished.

—House wiring. Hinton Electric Co.

PUPILS MARCHED OUT OF BURNING SCHOOL

Fire in Toronto Caused Damage Estimated at $12,000—Mr. Foss Makes Plea for Reciprocity.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—The Phoebe street school was partially destroyed by fire this morning. The pupils were well trained in fire drill and marched out without injury. The loss is placed at $12,000.

Trade Relations.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—Eugene Foss, of Boston, in an address to the members of the Empire club, made a strong plea for reciprocity between the United States and Canada. Protection, he said, was not meant as a permanent trade policy for any country, but rather as a temporary expedient to build up infant industries until they were in a position to meet world-wide competition. It did not contemplate the supporting of pauper industries, industries foreign to a country's soil and climate and resources, nor did it contemplate the building up of industries to a point where they became monopolistic. This latter stage in the matter of reciprocity was, in his opinion, notoriously erroneous. The movement was not confined to Massachusetts nor to the Democratic party. President Roosevelt and other leaders of the Republican party felt the need of cultivating closer trade relations with Canada. With this new spirit in the United States, he hoped that Canada would not adopt an attitude of "provincial isolation."

Suicide.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—Claud Bullis, a drug clerk employed by A. E. Walton at Queen street east, committed suicide by taking prussic acid at an early hour this morning. Bulis came to Toronto from Iroquois, where his parents live.

Run Down by Train.

Dutton, Ont., Jan. 13. — Archibald Carmichael and Duncan McArthur were struck by a Michigan Central westbound express at a crossing here yesterday and instantly killed.

New Treasurer.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—At a meeting of the Winnipeg city council to-day H. Thompson, assistant to City Clerk Brown, was appointed city treasurer.

GEO. JAY,
Re-elected School Trustee.

SPOKANE MEN FIGHT OVER KOOTENAY COAL

Andrew Hackett Ordered by the Court to Render an Account of Transactions.

Andrew Hackett, whose name has been so prominently identified with coal prospecting in Southeast Kootenay, has had judgment given against him in Judge Kennan's court at Spokane in an action brought against him by Firch & Belden.

The case was one which threw considerable light upon the way in which prospecting was carried on in those districts. Mr. Hackett was defended by Judge Prather, who is well known in Victoria on account of his connection with the Flathead Coal Company.

"The case involved a large amount of money, different estimates plating the amount at from $40,000 to $70,000 bonus money due Hackett," says the Spokane Review. "The Spokane Falls Gas Light Company had a contract with Hackett for 51 per cent. on all findings up to 2,500 acres. The remaining 49 per cent. is to be shared equally between Hackett and Firch & Belden, according to the court's order, and all other findings to be shared equally between contesting parties.

"Judge Kennan's decision was that Hackett should be held to an accounting for moneys and properties received by himself for locating coal claims in British Columbia by virtue of a compact which existed between the contesting parties.

"The history of the case shows that June 10th, 1902, Andrew Hackett signed a contract with Firch & Belden to go into British Columbia, along the line of the new cut-off of the Great Northern railroad, to the town of Fernie and coal fields along said railroad or such other places in British Columbia most convenient to the railroad, and locate from 1 to 10 sections of good coking coal for ourselves, and shall also use such other names as may be agreed upon by and between us for the purpose of making a deal with Albert D. Hopper, treasurer and superintendent of the Spokane Falls Gas Light Company, or anyone else we may choose to make a deal with on all coal located by Andrew Hackett or others for him in British Columbia. It is further agreed that whatever money or interests the said Andrew Hackett shall receive from said Albert D. Hopper or said gas light company, he will and shall divide, share and share alike, with John F. Firch and Worth Belden, on account the trip upon which he leaves this 11th day of June, 1902.'

"According to plaintiff's contention Mr. Hackett was advanced $150 from Mr. Hopper of the gas company for expenses, and left for the coal fields. He made 16 locations on his first trip, returned and laid the matter before Mr. Hopper. Mr. Hopper turned down the proposition because the croppings did not suit him, and besides it was located on the Canadian Pacific reserve. In July Mr. Hackett made another trip, and made similar locations on names furnished him outside of the Canadian Pacific reserve. In the meantime Firch & Belden had put up money for the second trip, and had secured capital to back up any claims Hackett might find. Hackett returned the second time August 20th and reported to Firch & Belden what he had done. It was arranged that George Belden should accompany Hackett on the third trip, but Hackett left without young Belden. After that time he persistently avoided Firch & Belden, and refused to report to them any facts concerning his findings or whereabouts.

"Evidence showed that Hackett had located 320 claims, most of which were paid for by Spokane people. According to the terms each person was to pay $150 bonus, and in many instances as high as $300 and $400, and beside that everyone must pay to the British Columbia government $100 license.

"Judge Prather said last evening that he felt that Judge Kennan's decision was unfair, and that he would promptly enter a plea for a new trial."

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LOST—Last night, on View street, in front of Driard Hotel, lady's gold chain bracelet. Finder kindly return to this office. Reward offered.

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JOHN WILLIAM FLETCHER REYNOLDS—Missing since 1899; father dead; executors desire location. Geo. Guild, Guilds P. O., Ont., Canada.

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WANTED—Everybody in Victoria to buy first-class home-made toffee and candy from Hartley, the English candy maker, 74 Yates street.

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$800—Cottage and 3 lots, Tennyson road.

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$2,800—Bungalow, Stanley Ave.

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$2,200—6 roomed 2 story and 2 lots.

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FOR SALE—144-acre farm, good house, barns, orchard, 35 acres cleared, water frontage; price $2,000.

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FOR SALE—Pine street, good lot, 55 ft. by 135 ft., no rock; assessed value $240; our price $125.

FOR SALE—Blanchard street, lot 20x60, with two story building in good condition, cheap; would make a good factory.

FOR SALE—James Bay, corner lot, with five roomed dwelling, only $1,800.

FOR SALE—Pandora street, 10 roomed dwelling, all modern conveniences; $2,600.

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FOR SALE—Oak Bay, 2½ acres, 4 roomed house, good soil, city water laid on.

FOR SALE—Lot, 60x120, and 7 roomed house, McClure street; $1,600.

FOR SALE—Cottage and lot, Johnson street; nice home.

FOR SALE—7½ acres and small dwelling, near the exhibition buildings; $500 cash and balance in small monthly payments, no interest.

FOR SALE—Water lot and dwelling, near the new C. P. R. wharf, James Bay; price and terms on application.

FOR SALE—Fort street, near Linden avenue, 10 roomed dwelling, double front lot; well situated for private boarding house.

FOR SALE—Henry street, Victoria West, 3 vacant lots; only $525.

FOR SALE—Esquimalt road, with frontage on beach, ½ acre and 8 roomed house, $2,500; terms.

FOR SALE—Pandora street, lot 60x120, 6 roomed cottage; only $1,150.

FOR SALE—9½ acres, four miles from city; $350.

FOR SALE—240 acres, Lake District, excellent fruit soil, plenty of water; only $5,250.

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COURT VICTORIA, No. 8930, A. O. F.—Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in each month, Sir William Wallace Hall, Broad street. James Tagg, C. R.; W. Noble, Sec'y.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 14.—5 a. m.—An extensive ocean storm area is slowly spreading inland over Vancouver Island and the neighboring states. It is causing an easterly gale on the Coast, and rain is becoming general west of the Cascades. Zero temperatures still continue in Cariboo and eastward to Ontario, and have spread southward to Kansas and Missouri.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Sunday.

Victoria and vicinity—Easterly, shifting to southerly winds, unsettled and milder, with rain.

Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, unsettled and milder, with rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.13; temperature, 35; minimum, 31; wind, 12 miles N.; rain, .55; weather, rain.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, 32; minimum, 32; wind, calm; rain, trace; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.58; temperature, 10; minimum, 4; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.48; temperature, 6 below; minimum, 14 below; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.68; temperature, 14 below; minimum, 16 below; wind, 8 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

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There are few women indeed who do not suffer with chronic constipation. Nearly all are slaves to some kind of medicine to correct this trouble, and yet they get nothing but temporary relief. One period of constipation is followed by another, and it's physic, physic, physic, year in and year out, till life becomes a burden.

There is now a sure cure for this condition, and a cure that does not have to be repeated. It is Dr. Leonhardt's Anti-Pill.

Dr. Leonhardt, of Lincoln, Neb., is the author of this prescription. He used it for years with wonderful success in his own large practice as a remedy for dyspepsia, biliousness and constipation.

Many ladies who have suffered for years are now enjoying good health and a perfect freedom from the old constipation through the use of Anti-Pill.

Mrs. Tabb, 287 Emerald street north, Hamilton, Ont., says:

"I am no longer troubled with constipation. I cannot praise Anti-Pill too highly."

A month's treatment for 50c. All druggists, or The Wilson-Fyle Co., Limited, Niagara Falls, Ont. Sole agents for Canada.

BOARD OF TRADE MET YESTERDAY

DRYDOCK QUESTION UNDER DISCUSSION

Committee Will Take the Matter Up—Considerable Business Was Transacted.

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon. The attendance was very good and a large number of subjects were disposed of during the session.

The president, S. J. Pitts, occupied the chair. He stated that two reports had been prepared by the fisheries commission on the subject of the halibut industry. The reports were read, together with the resolution proposed by it.

The committee's report stated that after examining fishermen and Mr. Stanell of the New England Company, that it had then be stated by Mr. Baston, who had formerly been employed by the New England Co., that fishing was done by the latter inside the three-mile limit in Hecate strait, and that Canadians harbors were used in preparing the fish. After hearing all the evidence the committee recommended the following resolution, which was submitted to the meeting:

Whereas the halibut and other deep sea fisheries of the Canadian Pacific are of great importance to the Dominion, and if systematically developed are capable of supporting a large additional white population on this Coast, and

Whereas, through lack of knowledge of conditions, and more particularly of means of concentrating, storing and marketing the products, the industry is in a comparative state of non-development.

Be it resolved, That the Dominion government be urged to appoint a practical expert:

1. To make a complete study and survey of the fisheries and of the industry as it now exists.

2. To make a similar study and survey of available markets and means of transportation.

3. Of a system of co-operative storing, curing and marketing fish under similar encouragement and supervision as in dairying in the Northwest Territories, to enable the individual fishermen to benefit equally with his larger competitor in the disposal of his products.

The resolution was carried without discussion.

President Pitts reported that the council had been asked to endorse a scheme for the closing of sockeye salmon for two years, 1906 and 1908. The council considered that this might work a detriment to a growing industry on Vancouver Island. Hon. Senator Templeman, Geo. Riley, M.P., Ralph Smith, M.P., and Mr. Sloan, M.P., had been communicated with in the matter, and had been asked to recommend the department of marine and fisheries to take no definite action on the joint recommendation of the Puget Sound and Fraser River packers without first investigating the subject. Hon. Senator Templeman had replied, setting forth that the time within which a decision would have to be reached precluded the possibility of the department taking evidence out here, but assured the board that the interests of British Columbia fishermen would receive every attention.

Commissioner Babcock had in a message pointed out that the proposal for this close season having emanated from Puget Sound canners was sufficient reason to make Canadians careful before any steps were taken, so that the latter's interests would not be sacrificed.

The action of the council was endorsed by the meeting.

The committee on the withdrawal of the naval forces from Esquimalt reported as follows:

Your committee on trade and transportation and commerce have carefully considered the memorial of the Navy League, Victoria and Esquimalt branch, dealing with the withdrawal of His Majesty's naval force from Esquimalt, and while recognizing the importance of the facts therein stated, and being in sympathy with the views expressed, cannot advise the board to endorse the same.

At the same time we are of the opinion that some action should be taken in the matter, but from an entirely different standpoint, and we submit the following resolution for your consideration, looking to the assumption by the Canadian government of many of the minor duties, so long and so willingly performed by the Imperial navy:

"Whereas there is a possibility the Imperial authorities will permanently withdraw the Pacific squadron from Esquimalt and close the naval dockyard and hospital dependent thereon;

"And whereas the Imperial navy has guarded our shores and patrolled our seas since the dawn of civilization in this western portion of the Dominion to our great comfort and security;

"And whereas Canada has not contributed in any way to the maintenance of the imperial navy;

"And whereas this board has already expressed its appreciation of the intention of the Canadian government to make early provision for the establishment of a Canadian naval militia, and considers that the government should assume part of the burden hitherto so cheerfully borne by the people of Great Britain,

"Be it therefore resolved that this board strongly approves of the intention of the government to establish a Canadian naval militia, and would respectfully urge that early provision be made for the performance of all the naval duties of a commercial character which have been so far performed by the Imperial navy."

It was decided to lay the resolution on the table.

Beaumont Boggs moved in favor of reconstruction of the drydock at Esquimalt as follows:

That a strong memorial be forwarded to the Dominion government asking that immediate steps be taken to reconstruct the drydock at Esquimalt, so that docking facilities may be afforded to any steamer coming to our ports, as well as to the largest modern war vessels.

In support of this resolution Mr. Boggs lamented the fact that so much publicity had been given to the withdrawal of the naval vessels and defences from Esquimalt. The papers had been too ready to record the withdrawal of every gun, and in consequence rival cities had seized upon this and made it appear that Victoria was being wiped out. He though that it would be found that with the visits of the flying squadron, which would be composed of much larger vessels, that the loss would in no small measure be made good. If the government would enlarge the docks to the requirements of these larger warships and the great merchantmen which visited these waters local firms would be given an opportunity to extend a trade which was even now an extensive one, but would be very much increased.

C. H. Lugrin, in seconding the resolution, said that there had been a lack of appreciation of the value of the North Pacific ocean from a commercial standpoint and the Western Coast of Canada from a naval standpoint in the discussion of the removal of naval forces.

The great strategic importance of this Western coast should be brought to the attention of the British people. Alluding to the importance of the North Pacific ocean he instanced the opening up of Japan and China to commerce, the opening of Siberia by American capital, the building of the Panama canal, the opening up of the Philippine Islands by the United States and the building of a new transcontinental railway across Canada. These, taken in conjunction with other great events, pointed to the fact that the North Pacific was to attract the attention of the world within the near future. For commercial purposes the Pacific coast was divided between Canada and the United States. Of this twenty degrees of latitude was confined to Canadian territory and twenty-eight degrees to the United States.

Referring to the seaports Mr. Lugrin said that San Francisco would maintain its importance as a shipping port. It was handicapped, however, by the fact that a high plateau shut it from the interior. The Northern Canadian railways had an advantage over this in the distance between the ports of British Columbia and Yokohama, so that the trade north of Omaha was within easier access of the Orient by Canadian lines rather than by San Francisco.

In point of distance the Canadian route when the new trans-continental railway was completed would be much the shorter one between Yokohama and Liverpool. It would be shorter than the American routes by 1,700 miles.

The Orient was to be a great producer of trade in the near future, and the Canadian route was to become the great highway of commerce.

The importance of Esquimalt from an Imperial standpoint was the very greatest. It could be made impregnable and controlled the approach to the capital of the province and commanded the Royal Roads, where all shipping found a safe anchorage. It was also within easy reach of a supply of coal by railway, and was without doubt one of the most important strategic points in the Empire.

He did not doubt that Britain was to maintain the supremacy of the sea, and in doing so Esquimalt, situated as it was in such an important place for the maintenance of the highway of commerce, must be held as of great value.

He thought it was time Canada took a part in the defence of the Empire. He was glad to know that Canada was about to do this. Canada should place this coast in a position to be safe for commerce, and to aid in maintaining Britain's supremacy of the ocean.

J. Peirson, secretary of the Naval League, approved of the stand taken by Mr. Lugrin. He referred to the work which the Navy League had done some years ago in setting forth the importance of Esquimalt. This information had been laid before the Imperial authorities, and had had its effect in attracting attention to the importance of this station.

Lindley Crease was entirely in accord with the resolution. The time had arrived when Canada should take her part in the defence of the Empire. Other colonies were doing their part. The Straits Settlements contributed £126,000 to defence. The contribution to the navy was really contributing to the insurance of the commerce of the country. It was therefore the concern of Canada as much as any other part of the Empire to see that the navy was maintained.

F. Pauline wanted to hear from some engineers as to the wisdom of enlarging the drydock. It would involve a considerable expense, and during the time the work was in progress there would be no dock there. He rather favored asking the Dominion government to build a new dock on the Victoria side of Esquimalt.

A. J. Morley agreed with Mr. Pauline. He said that to enlarge the dock would really mean rebuilding it. He thought it would be wiser to ask the government for adequate facilities for the necessities arising. There was accommodation for smaller vessels now.

The resolution was amended as follows and passed:

That a strong memorial be forwarded to the Dominion government asking that immediate steps be taken to provide drydock accommodation to meet the requirements of modern warships and the mercantile marine at Esquimalt.

A committee to draft a resolution was appointed as follows: Beaumont Boggs, C. H. Lugrin, Jos. Peirson, Capt. Clarke and F. W. Bullen.

A resolution adopted by the Esquimalt Liberal Association was read, asking for the removal of restrictions with respect to commercial shipping in Esquimalt harbor.

H. Bullen, speaking to the resolution, referred to the fact that vessels coming into these waters to await orders were denied the use of Esquimalt harbor. The result was that many went to Port Townsend, and local business men lost the trade.

Mr. Lugrin, while he was ready to afford every facility to commercial shipping, wanted to know if this resolution did not presuppose that Esquimalt was to be vacated by the navy.

Mr. Peirson alluded to the fact that Esquimalt might very reasonably become within a very short time a strong secondary station to Hongkong. It was more than probable that the withdrawing of the vessels from some quarters was to strengthen it in other directions, where the need of opposing growing naval powers was made incumbent.

Mr. Crease did not think that the resolution could be endorsed. The policy of the board was to regard Esquimalt as not forsaken by the navy. He thought it would be unwise to pass a resolution which practically admitted that the station was deserted by the naval vessels.

Mr. Pauline moved that the resolution be laid on the table.

Mr. Bullen said that the resolution did not ask to have the harbor taken away from use by the navy. It was only to be devoted to commercial uses when not in use by the navy.

The resolution was laid on the table.

The report of the committee which appeared before the assessment commission was read. The report was adopted.

A letter was read from C. A. Harrison asking for something being done to encourage a direct steamboat connection between Victoria and Port Angeles.

The letter was referred to the transportation committee.

Resolutions from the Vancouver Board of Trade and from the Nelson Board of Trade, favoring the asking of the government to impose a duty on lumber entering into Canada from the United States equal to that imposed by the United States on lumber from Canada.

J. A. Grant did not favor endorsing these resolutions. He could not see why British Columbia lumber men could not compete with United States lumber men in supplying the Northwest. The interests of the settlers of the Northwest should be looked to as well as the lumber men. He moved against endorsing the resolution.

Mr. Boggs, in seconding the motion, said that the settlers in the Northwest were in the hands of a monopoly with respect to lumber. The board had a duty to perform to those settlers.

The motion of Mr. Grant was adopted.

It was reported that the resolution of the board favoring the calling of a public meeting to discuss the Indian reserve question had been sent to the Mayor, but no reply had been received from His Worship.

Mr. Morley thought the request of the board of trade should have been given greater attention. He disapproved of the apparent lack of courtesy shown by the Mayor in this respect. He moved in favor of expressing disapproval, and again asking for the meeting being called.

Mr. Lugrin seconded the motion.

A. G. McCandless thought the Mayor might have had some just reason for not calling the meeting. He did not favor

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CANADA'S ADVANTAGES.

Canada is the best advertised country in the world to-day. We have Vice-President Fairbanks of the United States beating at our doors and beseeching us to call a commission together in order that there may be a readjustment of trade relations. This he says he is doing under instructions from President Roosevelt, who is impressed with the possibilities of trade development between this country and the one over which he presides. It is intimated that the United States has reached the limit as a protectionist country and that Canada is to be given the flattering option of being the first and the greatest beneficiary of the proposed revision. Nevertheless the heads of our statesmen have not been turned by these benevolent attentions. They are in no hurry to tie the country up in treaties or conventions. In the Old Country our horn is also being set on high by statesmen and press. A few years ago, before the preferential trade policy was adopted, the name of a self-governing colony was seldom upon the lips of a British statesman. Now the question of relationship with the colonies is the chief subject of controversy. It may take years to solve the problem of ultimate relationship, but in the meantime we are deriving benefits. This Canada that has created such a commotion and such an unusual division must be a place of some present importance and of future possibilities. Thus we find the Financial Times constantly discusses us and our affairs and draws the attention of capitalists to our country as a place for profitable investment. It says in a late issue:

"It must not be forgotten that Canada stands to-day upon the threshold of a period of unexampled prosperity. Valuable as her market is at present to the United States—and trade figures show that as a matter of fact Canada actually buys now from us something like $30,000,000 more than all the other countries of North and South America combined—it will be definitely more valuable within the next decade or two. Canada possesses natural resources only comparable to those of the United States. Her wheat area is enormous, and the extent of her timber and mineral resources can only be guessed at. Hitherto she has been handicapped by lack of two essentials—population and capital. Both are now pouring into the country, and with their advent Canada will rapidly come to the front as one of the leading producing countries of the world. As she grows in population and wealth, she will require an increasing quantity of goods over and above what can be manufactured at home. It is improbable that she will ever be, in the sense that this country is, a great manufacturing country. The bulk of her energies must be devoted to the development of that marvellous wheat field which stretches from Winnipeg to the Rockies, and from the international boundary to the Peace River country in the far north. Here her commercial destiny lies. She will furnish bread for the world, and can afford to go into the world's markets with a bulging pocketbook to purchase what she needs in return. Within another decade her population will have grown to ten millions, and before the close of the present quarter century she will probably count a population of twenty or twenty-five millions. Instead of 65,000,000 bushels of wheat, Western Canada will then be producing half a billion bushels.

"Such a country will furnish one of the most attractive fields in the world to outside manufacturers, and Canada will not need to go hunting for favorable trade arrangements. They will be thrust upon her from every side. With a reciprocity treaty, this country could retain the lion's share of Canada's trade. Without it, we would have to fight against many rivals. But it is not even necessary to look into the future to find an argument for reciprocity. After the abrogation, at the instance of the United States government, of the reciprocity treaty of 1854, Canada at once began to look for markets elsewhere, and in the succeeding years she has built up a very considerable trade with the other British colonies, with Germany, France, Japan; and, above all, Great Britain. In 1897 she gave a preferential tariff to Great Britain, which has resulted in increasing the trade between Canada and the Mother Country to double the figures of 1897.

"There is a very obvious moral in this. Preferential trade between Grat Britain and Canada is still in the experimental stage. The Englishman has not yet awakened to the fact that his one hope of commercial salvation is to build up a big trade with the colonies. When he does awake—if nothing prevents in the meantime—preferential trade within the British Empire will become an accomplished fact, and instead of the United States monopolising the bulk of Canada's trade, she will find even what she holds at present rapidly slipping through her fingers. If reciprocity should be established, as a result of the joint efforts of President Roosevelt and Premier Laurier, it would inevitably lead to closer and more friendly relations between this country and Canada, and would so commend itself to the strong common sense of Canadians and Americans alike that no outside influences would be powerful enough to break it."

RUSSIA'S GAME.

It is quite apparent that the really critical time, from an international standpoint, in the war between Japan and Russia is approaching. Russian statesmen are protesting that China is not properly enforcing her neutrality obligations. They intimate that they propose to ignore the limitations set by the powers upon the belligerents in the matter of the establishment of a recognized neutral zone unless something be done to compel China to maintain her position as a neutral. As a pronouncement coming from the nation that made a convenience of Chefoo as long as Port Arthur remained in her possession, this declaration appears to us unique even for Russia. It may be taken as an indication that the acknowledged artifice of the Muscovite is about to assume a new form. The programme as originally laid down having proved a dismal failure, all the circumscriptions imposed by the other powers are to be thrust aside in the desperate effort to gain an advantage over a resourceful, courageous and determined enemy. If outsiders intervene, that may furnish an excuse for acquiescence in peace proposals. One desperate cast, whatever the result, cannot have a prejudicial effect upon a situation that is already as desperate as possible, with an army blocked and a fleet without base or objective.

On the other side we are confronted with the well-taken objections of Japan that the squadrons of Rojestvensky are receiving unjustifiable favors from France in being permitted practically to make a base of one of the ports of Madagascar. Nor has the French republic been the only sinner during the campaign against the laws which are supposed to be binding upon neutrals. If the canons of this elastic international understanding had been enforced to the letter the Baltic fleet could never have journeyed beyond the latitude or longitude of effective communication with Russian ports. In doing so it would have been taking tremendous risks. Yet here it is making its way to the Far East as comfortably and as conveniently as though the waterways of the world were studded with Russian coaling stations. It has been compelled to halt at last, not because it has been denied facilities, but because if it proceeded it would finally reach a point at which Japan has the power to compel the nations to recognize their obligations. In the meantime there is an apparent disposition to permit the Russians to bring up at any convenient point and await the reconstruction of such a navy as will be capable of dealing with the marine forces of Japan. That is to say, it is plainly evident that the obligations of neutrality under international law will be observed only in favor of nations that possess the power to compel such observance. That is the lesson of the war, apparently. Probably that is the reason Great Britain is disposed to attach so little importance to the possession of coaling stations.

Evidently the situation is becoming a delicate one. Evidently also Russia sees a way out of her embarrassments by aggravating that situation and forcing Japan to vigorously assert her rights. The really critical stage of the war is approaching.

AN INTOLERANT BODY.

It has come to pass in these latter days that the individual who cherishes an implicit belief in the good intentions of his kind is buoyed up with the hope that the great nations shall practice the art of war no more. The world's statesmen are discussing arbitration treaties. Does not that fact justify his optimism? But here is the mightiest of all nations, a nation that is governed by the popular voice and has cast off all the trappings of medievalism, proposing to attach a loophole, through which it may pass if found convenient, to all treaties designed to make war all but impossible.

It will be remembered that a few years ago the representatives of Great Britain and of the United States drafted an arbitration treaty that, if it had been adopted, would have compelled the two nations to submit all their differences to a disinterested tribunal for adjustment. The Imperial government endorsed the instrument, action which was equivalent to its adoption by the country, because its Parliamentary majority would have been bound to accept the measure in accordance with the operations of the constitutional system. But the Senate of the United States stepped in and annulled the compact. That body was jealous of its rights. It objected to the momentous issues of peace or war being taken out of its hands. It would not delegate its authority to John Hay or any other single individual.

The world has progressed since the former attempt to interpose an effective obstacle to national impulses failed. Great Britain has concluded conventions with France and other nations founded upon terms similar to those proposed to the United States. Such progress having been made in cases which seemed far less promising, it was thought the time was opportune for another attempt to reach an understanding between the great English-speaking communities. The accredited representatives have again performed their part. The British government approves and the President is satisfied. But again the Senate has signified its intention to block the way. Mr. Roosevelt has informed that body bluntly that no amendment to the drafted treaties will this time be tolerated. They must be adopted as presented. What is the plutocratic Senate going to do about that autocratic announcement? It proposes to reserve to itself the right to say whether any dispute shall be a fit subject for arbitration. That would of course be equivalent to a declaration that there shall be no departure from the established usages—that whenever in the judgment of the lords paramount of the United States war is desirable as a means of settling a dispute, war there must be. That is not a position of generous disinterestedness—it is not worthy of the nation which boasts that in power and in might it stands solitary and alone upon the earth. It has provoked from the New York Post the comment that "public opinion, the press, the President, the churches, the universities—all are to be pushed to one side, and the Senate made the sole arbiter of peace or war. We are glad to learn that Mr. Roosevelt means to withstand this pretension. It not only would eat into his constitutional powers, but would give us a most uphappy air of being the marplot among the nations. Something like a universal peace pact is on the point of conclusion when an arrogant Senate interferes to spoil all. The President may reckon confidently upon the support of an overwhelming public sentiment in resisting that outrage to the last."

Ritter von Renauld, an ex-colonel of the German army, who is both a military and financial expert, publishes an estimate of the probable cost of a modern European war. Judging from the experiences of the Franco-Prussian war, he concludes that the present cost of a great European war would be 6s. ($1.50) per soldier per day. The German Empire, he says, could place in the field 4,900,000 men; and, reckoned on the basis of 6s. per man daily, the cost of a war would to Germany be over 3,000,000 sterling ($15,000,000) every day. A war between Germany and another military power would cost both combatants a total of at least 6,000,000 sterling every day; while, supposing two great powers engaged in war against two or three other great powers, the daily cost would amount to from ten to fifteen millions sterling. Where would the countries obtain such sums of money in the case of war? asks Herr von Renald, whose calculations are throughout intended to emphasize the financial convulsion which would necessarily follow any European outbreak.

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A fiscal blue book issued by the British government shows that on the whole the condition of the working classes is steadily improving. In London and large towns in Great Britain in the 20-year period 1880-1900 the cost of living of the working classes, as shown by the prices they have to pay for food, rent, clothing, fuel and light has fallen, so that roughly 100 shillings in 1900 would do the work of 120 at the beginning of the period. A statement showing changes in cost of these items of workmen's expenditure from 1880 to 1903 shows a great fall in the cost of food and a lesser one in the cost of clothing from 1880 down to 1899, followed by a rise in the last four years, but to nothing like the earlier level. In rent, on the other hand, there has been a large, steady and continuous rise; in fuel and lighting a smaller and less steady rise. The net result is a fall of about 17 per cent. in the cost of the four principal items of workmen's expenditure from the prices which prevailed 20 years ago.

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The ju-jitsu system of wrestling has suddenly become very popular in England, we are told. The women are taking it up with avidity and are showing marked capacity for becoming acquainted with the most effective bone-breaking and muscle-twisting holds. The men look on and wonder what will be the next development of this iconoclastic age. It will avail them not at all to choose apparently delicate life partners. Muscular development does not count when one understands where to place the thumb in the all too vulnerable male physique.

—Bell wiring. Hinton Electric Co. *

—Gospel services will be held in Emmanuel Baptist church, Spring Ridge, during the coming week, beginning on Sunday evening. The services will be under the direction of the pastor, Rev. E. Le Roy Dakin. He will be assisted by special speakers each evening. On Monday evening Rev. P. W. Dean will give an address. The services will begin at 8 o'clock sharp; song service at 7.45. All are invited.

—Our carpet and drapery goods' sale will improve when the weather lets up, but we have every reason to congratulate ourselves upon this week's results. People know when they see real bargains. *

—Table d'hote dinner at the Driard from 5.30 to 8 p.m. *

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LIST OF PROMOTIONS IN FIFTH REGIMENT

Order Issued by Lt.-Col. Hall, Commanding Officer—Recruits Posted to Companies.

Regimental orders issued this week by Lieut.-Col. Hall, commanding Fifth Regiment, include several announcements of special importance. The orders follow:

The following extract from G. O. 163, Nov. 2, 1904, is published for information: "The following warrant officer of the permanent force has been granted a medal for long service and good conduct: No. 1028, Master Gunner A. Mulcahy, Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery."

Leave of absence has been granted to Capt. G. F. Langley, quartermaster, for six months, commencing Nov. 28th, 1904. During Capt. Langley's absence, Capt. D. B. McConnan will perform the duties of quartermaster in addition to his other duties.

The following man having been attested will be taken on the strength from the date hereafter mentioned, and will assume the regimental number opposite his name: No. 107, Gr. Harry Matthews, Jan. 11th.

The following men, having been passed by the adjutant, are posted to companies as under: No. 107, Gr. H. Matthews, No. 3 company; No. 261, Gr. J. Price, No. 6 company; No. 288, Gr. V. Williams, No. 6 company.

Those men detailed for signalling will parade on Tuesday evenings, commencing 17th inst. Officers commanding companies will relieve their signallers as far as possible from company drill.

The bugle band will practice on Thursday evenings, commencing 19th inst.

The gymnasium classes will be resumed on Thursday evening, 19th inst.

Officers commanding companies will fill out, initial and hand to the adjutant at once the usual certificates of efficiency required by members of the regiment to exempt them from taxation.

The officer commanding has been pleased to approve of the following promotions:

No. 1 Company—To be acting co. Sergt.-Major, Sergt. H. Nesbit, vice Colquhoun, promoted; to be sergeants, Corp. Lawson and Corp. Stewart, vice Nesbit, promoted, and to complete establishment; to be corporals, Acting Bomb. Wolfenden and Gr. Patton, vice Lawson and Stewart, promoted; to be bombardier, Gr. C. S. McKilligan, vice Wolfenden, promoted.

No. 5 Company—To be sergeant, Gr. E. F. Laurie, to complete establishment; to be corporals, Gr. F. A. J. Paine and Gr. R. Barber, vice Corps. P. Austin and H. Wilders, taken their discharges; to be acting corporal, Gr. R. W. E. Nunn, to complete establishment.

By order.
D. B. M'CONNAN, Capt.,
Adjutant.

H. G. Robinson, of the Marconi Wireless, will be at the Driard Hotel from Tuesday morning until Thursday night, when he will deliver Marconi stock purchased from him. All interested please call.

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DEBATING ASSOCIATION.

A Mock Parliament Organized in Connection With Y. M. C. A. Last Evening.

A mock parliament has been organized in connection with the Young Men's Christian Association. This was accomplished at a well attended meeting of members held last evening at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Broad street. It was decided that the government and opposition would be formed on the lines of the provincial legislature, and the opening session take place on Friday evening next at the assembly rooms of the association.

The chair was occupied by John Nelson, and one of the first matters discussed was the selection of leaders. On motion of A. B. McNeill, seconded by R. A. Ritchie, it was agreed that Messrs. Nelson and Pullen would lead the opposing parties. After they had selected their supporters the toss of a coin placed a government's responsibilities upon the shoulders of Mr. Nelson's party. Someone then made the happy suggestion that Hinkson Siddal be requested to undertake the duties of Lieut.-Governor on the opening session. This was taken up with enthusiasm, and Mr. Siddall will be asked to read the speech from the throne on Friday evening. From what can be gathered the government intends outlining a comprehensive and vigorous policy, so that the following debate should prove spirited and interesting.

Appended is a list of members of the government and opposition with their respective constituencies:

Government—Jno. Nelson, Esquimalt; Northcott, Alberni; Clement, the Islands; E. B. Jones, Victoria; John Brown, Nanaimo; O. E. Finch, Skeena; S. Talbot, Rossland; Lampshire, Atlin; Crozier, Cowichan.

Opposition—H. F. Pullen, Comox; A. R. McNeill, Saanich; Major, New Westminster; Robt. Dunn, Vancouver; Ashton, Ladysmith; G. McCandless, Cariboo; R. A. Ritchie, Okanagan; Bannerman, Similkameen; W. B. Fisher, Kootenay.

—Great reductions in furniture, carpets, draperies, etc., at Weiler Bros. It is their annual sale. You will find all the reduced furniture marked with red tags. All goods marked thus will remain so until everything is sold. *

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Size 16x27 inches. 20 dozen. Monday 90c dozen.

Butcher Linen
(All linen.)
300 yards, 60 inches wide; splendid for tabling towels, aprons, etc. Value 50c. Monday 35c.

White Calico For Monday
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Short Pieces
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Short Pieces
in the 25c quality. By the yard Monday 10c yard.

The Crown Sheeting
2¼ yards wide.
Heavy, plain (made in England). Value 60c yard. Monday 40c.

Children's Jackets
Navy serge, plain coat style, double breasted, reefer shape, lined. Ages 3 to 10 years. Regular values $2.00 to $5.00. Monday $1.50 to $3.50.
Navy Serge Coat with cape, trimmed braid and buttons, double breasted, reefer shape. Regular prices $2.40 to $5.00. Monday $1.50 to $3.50.

24 Women's Jackets
(Tight Backs.)
Fawn Coverts and Cloths. Prices as follows: Monday $17.50 and $20.00 ones for $8.50; $22.50 and $25.00 ones for $10.00.

26 Black Coats
(Tight Backs.)
Prices for Monday: $17.50 and $20.00 ones for $8.50; $22.50 and $25.00 ones for $10.00.

15 Black Coats
(Loose Fitting.)
$17.50 ones for $10.00; $25.00 ones for $15.00; $40.00 ones for $25.00; $35.00 ones for $20.00.

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Good Quality Eating Apples, $1.00 and $1.25 per box

PERSONAL.

H. S. Robinson, of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co., will arrive here on Tuesday for the purpose of delivering Marconi stock. He intends staying at the Driard hotel.

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Mrs. George Stelly leaves by the Princess Beatrice this evening to bid good-bye to her sister, Mrs. A. H. Harder, of Tacoma, who is leaving on an extended tour of Europe.

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G. H. Hadwen, of Duncans; A. Howe, of Chemainus; and A. R. Johnson, of Nanaimo, are among the guests at the Victoria hotel.

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Steve Jones, proprietor of the Dominion hotel, returned from the Sound yesterday by the steamer Princess Beatrice.

Geo. L. Courtney, traffic manager of the E & N. Railway Company, arrived from Vancouver last evening.

H. Hamilton, manager of the Shoal Bay Oyster Co., Portland, Ore., is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

J. Smith, R. Gowen, T. E. Jackson and T. Livingstone, of Indian Head, are at the Dominion.

W. H. Denison, of Regina, N. W. T., is registered at the Dominion.

Fifth Regiment C. A. Rifle Association
Notice of Annual General Meeting
The annual general meeting of the above Association will be held in the Men's Room, Drill Hall, on Thursday, 19th inst., at 8.30 p. m. Election of officers, etc.
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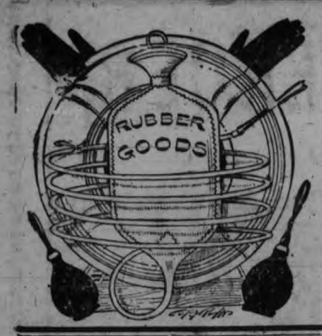

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—Weiler Bros. are conducting a special furniture and carpet sale. The low prices are strong inducements, and values are exceptionally good. You will find the range of chairs, bedroom suites and other pieces of useful furniture just the kind you need. *

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—J. M. Cameron will address the propaganda meeting of the Socialist party in the Crystal theatre to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, taking for his subject "Ancient Peru, its Government and Social Conditions." Good music. Questions answered.

—Under the auspices of the Psychic Research Society a lecture will be delivered by Mrs. Flora Heckman at the K. of P. hall, Pandora street, on Sunday at 8 p.m., on a subject taken from the audience. Delineations will be given after the lecture.

—In referring to the seal skins recently brought south from English Bay on the schooner Oscar and Mattie, it has been stated that D. Boscowitz was the consignee. What should have been said in this connection was that the skins were only shipped in care of D. Boscowitz.

—No. 4 company, Fifth Regiment, has called a special meeting for Wednesday, January 18th, to consider special matters of business relating both to the company itself and to the regiment at large. Drill will commence at 8 p.m., and the meeting follows. The attendance of every man of the company is specially urged.

—The big masquerade ball under the auspices of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Sisters of Rebekah on Thursday next promises to be an exceptionally successful affair. An energetic committee has perfected the most elaborate preparations, in which there is every requisite essential to the success of the ball. The grand march will commence at 9 o'clock.

—Donations to the Refuge Home at Christmas are thankfully acknowledged from the following: Mrs. Siddall, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Munsie, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. William Grant, Mrs. D. Spencer, Mrs. C. Spencer, Mrs. Shakespeare, Mrs. Pendray, Miss Ward, Mrs. C. Todd, Mrs. A. Wilson, Mr. Mowat, Mrs. Wm. Wilson, Mrs. Seaton, A Friend, Mrs. Meston, Mrs. Spofford and Mrs. Brayshaw.

—District Orange Lodge, No. 2, held their annual meeting and election of officers last Tuesday night in the A. O. U. W. hall. The result of the election was as follows: District master, W. O. Wallace; deputy master, William Martin; chaplain, Isaac Walsh; recording secretary, E. C. B. Bagshaw; financial secretary, W. G. McNaughton, and treasurer, W. J. Clark. It was decided to make every effort to have the next Twelfth of July celebration held in Victoria. This is a matter which will be considered at the grand lodge meeting to be held in June, but in view of the fact that the celebration was held in Vancouver last year and New Westminster the year before, it is fully expected that the event will be held here this year. Five or six hundred visiting Orangemen from the American side will, it is thought, be on hand to help celebrate the day.

—Dr. Yates will lecture on "The Church and the Civil Power" in Institute hall to-morrow (Sunday) night at 8 o'clock.

—To-morrow afternoon a memorial service for the late Mrs. F. H. Maitland-Dougall, of Duncans, will be held by members of the King's Daughters, commencing at 4 o'clock at their rooms, Fort street.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. Musson, of No. 5 Alfred street, mourn the loss by death of their infant daughter, Helen Beatrice, aged five months. The funeral is arranged for to-morrow afternoon. Rev. E. G. Miller will conduct the services.

—On Wednesday evening, the 18th inst., the annual dinner of the Vancouver Island Flockmasters' Association will be held at Duncans. It will take place at the Quamichan hall, commencing at 8 o'clock, and promises to be most successful. The Lieut.-Governor, Hon. Richard McBride, Hon. R. G. Tatlow, W. J. R. Anderson, R. M. Palmer, United States Consul Smith, W. A. Smith, W. R. Smith and W. J. Evans, M. P. P., are among those who have been invited to attend.

—M. R. Smith & Co., writing with reference to the item appearing in last evening's Times to the effect that girls in the candy factory had quit work owing to the lack of heating arrangements, contradict it. The firm, in referring to the item, say: "It does us a great injustice, as there have been no complaints about the heating arrangements, but the factory is closed down temporarily for repairs. We are happy to say the most cordial relations exist between us and our employees."

—As will be seen by an advertisement on the 5th page of this issue, Miss E. A. Mesher's art needle work department has been removed to 41 Fort street, next to Mrs. Clay's. Miss Mesher is giving free of charge, for one monthy only, lessons in art needle work, and will be pleased to meet all desirous of taking up this work. Lessons will be given and orders taken for all kinds of lace work, embroidery, teneriffe, drawn work, etc. Miss Heathfield has at the same address a pyrograhy studio, and Mrs. Travis a studio for china painting.

—Last Thursday evening in Semple's hall the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Society held one of their business meetings, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months: President, A. R. Colby; vice-president, Miss J. Leigh; secretary, C. W. Hollyer; assistant secretary, Miss H. Penketh; treasurer, A. W. Semple; property man, C. W. Hollyer; property mistress, Mrs. A. R. Colby; business manager, A. W. Semple. Rehearsals for the next play will shortly begin, F. Jenkens having been elected to stage the same. G. W. Andrews was also elected as assistant stage manager. Committees were also appointed to make arrangements for their third annual masquerade ball, which will be held on Friday, February 3rd.

—At a meeting of the executive of the Saanich Liberal Association, held on the 13th inst., the following resolution was passed: "Resolved, that this executive recognizes the importance of the question of anchorage in Esquimalt harbor, brought up by the executive of the Esquimalt Liberal Association at their meeting of the 6th inst.; therefore this executive endorses the resolution passed by the Esquimalt executive by a unanimous vote, and that the secretary be instructed to forward copies of this resolution to Ralph Smith, Esq., M. P., the press, the Victoria Board of Trade and the different Liberal associations." The meeting also passed a resolution opposing a close season for salmon catching, as a step detrimental to Victoria's interests.

—Court Northern Light held a very interesting meeting on Wednesday evening, the occasion being the installation of the officers of the local court by the D.C.R. and high court officers, as follows: D.C.R., Bro. McIntosh, of New Westminster; D.S.C.R., Bro. H. Waller; D.P.C.R., Bro. E. J. Salmon; D.S.W., Bro. H. L. Salmon; D.J.W., Bro. W. McKay; D.S.B., Bro. P. R. Smith; D.T., Bro. S. A. Banfly; D.S., Bro. T P. Watson, and D.J.W., Bro. P. I. James. The following are the newly elected officers of the court: P.C.R., S. L. Redgrave; C.R., Thos. Deakin; S.C.R., C. R. Sanders; Treasurer, W. P. Smith; Secretary, W. F. Fullerton; S.W., E. H. Henly; J.W., C. Pointer; S.B., J. Levy; J.B., J. Trace; Surgeon, Dr. Jos. Gibbs; Trustee, J. Trace. After the close of the court the members and visitors sat down to a sumptuous banquet in honor of the D. C.R., when songs, toasts and sentiment were indulged in and a very pleasant time held.

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—Burns's anniversary has been celebrated in this city for the last 16 years in a worthy and fitting manner by a concert under the auspices of the First Presbyterian church choir, under the management and direction of J. G. Brown, their popular conductor. The choir have been preparing their beautiful part-songs for some time. This will form no small portion of the musical treat in store for those who are fortunate enough to be present. The choir have a high reputation in this connection, having scored many successes in past years. Mr. Brown believes in variety and always has something new for this event, if not in the songs, in the singers, and this year will be no exception. The date of the concert of course is the poet's birthday, Wednesday evening, the 25th inst., and all who are interested should bear this in mind. The St. Andrew's Society, of this city, have intimated their intention of attending in a body, considering it the very best way of celebrating the national poet's birthday.

—Services of a specially interesting character will be held in the Metropolitan Methodist church to-morrow. In the morning the pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams, will preach an illustrated sermon to the boys and girls. In the evening there will be an evangelistic song service, conducted by the pastor. A number of hymns, including the famous "Glory Song," have been printed on slips and will be distributed in the congregation, and sung as solos and choruses. The evangelistic services will be continued during the week in the church auditorium, and made bright by orchestra, solos, quartettes and choruses. The general public will be made welcome to these services.

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PLAY THAT ARTISTS LOVED TO PRODUCE

"The Rivals" Presented at the Victoria Last Evening—Mantelli on Tuesday Next.

That rare old comedy "The Rivals," one of the best written by Richard Brinsley Sheridan, was presented at the Victoria theatre last night by a company which included Joseph Jefferson, jr., and William W. Jefferson. Comedies like "The Rivals" are not written nowadays, and the fine old plays which delighted theatregoers of former years are seen too seldom. "The Rivals" will long continue to hold its place with those who admire wholesome fun and keen satire, with which it abounds. Mrs. Malaprop is a character that stands alone. It has been imitated, but all attempts to equal the part have ended in failure. It required the pen of Sheridan to draw the lady with her malapropism which has never failed to amuse. Another fine character is that of Sir Anthony, the choleric father whose method of "gentle" treatment of his son was to knock him down when he opposed his wishes, and if that was not sufficient knocked him out of the room. This was a method which Sir Anthony guaranteed worked like a charm.

Sir Lucius O'Trigger, the rollicking Irishman, is surely a faithful picture of the fire-eating gallant of Sheridan's days, ever willing to second a friend in an affair of honor and himself equally ready to fight, no matter on what score.

The company seen here last night was not large, but that it was capable goes without saying. The chief honors undoubtedl fell to Ffollett Paget as Mrs. Malaprop and Verner Clarges as Sir Anthony. Joseph Jefferson, jr., took the role of Sir Lucius, and certainly looked and acted the part. Wiliam W. Jefferson was the Bob Acres of the play, but it must be said was somewhat disappointing. He was not Sheridan's Bob. He failed to present us with the lively country youth on a visit to town, and at times nearly descended to buffoonery. Another really delightful character was Blanche Bender as Lydia Languish, while as Lucy, a minor part, Myrtle Chapman was excellent. John S. Marble as David and Arthur Stanford as Faulkner were also good. Harold B. Shaw appeared as Capt. Absolute.

The company certainly deserved better patronage than they received last night, but may console themselves with the fact that they played to an audience as large as many others which have attended the theatre recently.

Mantelli on Tuesday.

On Tuesday evening next Madame Mantelli, the famous diva, and an excellent supporting company, will appear at the Victoria theatre.

Madame Mantelli is so well and favorably known in the operatic and musical world that she scarcely needs the formality of an introduction to the public. This queen of song is famed not alone in America, but throughout the length and breadth of Europe as well, where, as a grand opera star, she has sung in every city of importance, having in addition appeared repeatedly before royalty.

As a special mark of favor, she was decorated by the Kings of Italy and Portugal.

For the past seven years Mme. Mantelli was one of the leading favorites in Grau's opera company at the Metropolitan opera house, New York, where as prima donna she was showered with honors and received the unstinted adulation of the public. Everywhere she has captivated audiences and won the praise of critics, who have bestowed upon her the most beautiful eulogiums, both as relating to her wonderful voice and to her marvellous powers as an emotional actress, a combination rarely found in a prima donna. This distinguished artist is now in the very zenith of her powers as a dramatic singer and there is every reason to believe that the present season will witness the greatest triumph in her wonderful career. She sings in Italian, French, German, Spanish and English, and her selections are from an extensive repertory of the masterpieces.

The programme will include acts second and fourth from "Carmen," garden and prison scenes from "Faust," and garden, tower and prison scenes from "Il Trovatore." Mme. Mantelli is supported by a splendid company, which includes Archilli Alberti, baritone; Walter H. Wheatley, tenor; Mme. Noldi, soprano; Ada Gregory and Eugenia Ward.

The total losses of German troops in Southwest Africa, as officially reported by the Reichstag finance committee, was: Killed in battle, died of disease or murdered by natives, 54 officers and 752 men. Wounded, 31 officers and 153 men.

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WILL WESTMINSTER COME INTO LINE?

LACROSSE SITUATION IS AGAIN DISCUSSED

Local Officials Drafting Agreement For Settlement of Dispute Between the Mainland Clubs.

It is expected that the British Columbia lacrosse league, when re-organized in the spring, will include the three rival teams of Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster. There is no doubt that the withdrawal of the latter club had a most injurious effect, not only on the finances of the Capital and Terminal City associations, but on the popularity of the Canadian National game throughout the province. Now it is generally realized that it is impossible to carry on a two-team league successfully. This fact, there is reason to believe, is also patent to the Westminster club. Therefore the three associations may be depended upon to come together and, after amicably settling the differences that have been so extensively ventilated during the past two seasons, reorganize the three-cornered league.

Officers of the Vancouver and Westminster clubs have been approached recently on this question with most satisfactory results. At the Terminal City it was found that the local club was willing and anxious to shake hands with their neighbors of the Royal City. A short discussion with prominent members of the Westminster association disclosed a much similar spirit. Under such circumstances it is highly probable that those interested will succeed in bringing about a settlement of all disputed questions and the reorganization of the British Columbia Lacrosse Association.

Rev. W. W. Bolton, vice-president of the Victoria club, is responsible for the missionary work mentioned. When appointed a delegate by the Victoria Football Association to attend a meeting at Vancouver he determined to interview members of the Terminal City and Westminster lacrosse associations to ascertain whether something could not be done to bring together Victoria, Westminster and Vancouver. His success at the latter city has already been referred to. When at the Royal City Rev. Mr. Bolton was agreeably surprised at the cordiality of his reception when it became known that he was a Victoria lacrosse representative.

"I was astonished at their readiness to take up the vexed questions which are disputed by Vancouver and Westminster," remarked Rev. Mr. Bolton. They had gone into the matter thoroughly, he continued, and seemed extremely desirous that the Victoria club would prove successful in bringing about a reunion of the three clubs. There was none of that aloofness so often attributed to Westminster. Their objections to a certain element of the Vancouver club were still apparent, but it was evident that for the game's sake, they would make some concessions.

T. Hooper, president of the Victoria club, Rev. Mr. Bolton and other local officials have under consideration the drafting of an agreement to be submitted to the Vancouver and Westminster clubs for approval. What the purport of this will be has not been announced. None of the gentlemen mentioned are willing to give out information, as, they contend, the publication of their intentions would possibly render their proposal futile. Developments, however, may be looked for at an early date.

This and other important questions will likely be discussed at the annual meeting of the Victoria club, which takes place in the near future. It is understood that the secretary is preparing his report and that as soon as it is completed the meeting is to be called.

The earnest wish of all local enthusiasts is that the Victoria club will be successful in uniting all British Columbia clubs for 1905. Much depends upon the accomplishment of this object, as it has been proved an impossibility to carry on a two-team league between Vancouver and Victoria. There isn't the same interest in the games, and besides transportation expenses are too heavy a drain upon the limited treasuries of the respective clubs. Therefore it is to be hoped that everyone interested will assist in inducing Westminster to come into line with Vancouver and Victoria so that the British Columbia league may be reorganized on its former basis.

BASKETBALL.

V. W. A. A. v. LADYSMITH.

Th's morning the Victoria West team left by the E. & N. train for Ladysmith, where they will play the latter five in a game commencing at 8.30 o'clock. From reports the Ladysmith team is exceedingly fast, and has established a first-class record so far this season, losing only once, and that by the narrow margin of one point. The Victoria West team's standing is too well known to Victorians to need comment. The players left to-day confident of victory, although acknowledging the prowess of their prospective opponents.

FERNWOODS WON.

The league games played last evening between the Fernwood and Y. M. C. A. teams at the F. Y. M. A. hall resulted in victory for the former junior and intermediate teams. They captured the intermediate game by a score of 15 to 13 points, while the Y. M. C. A. junior five was defeated by 16 to 12 points. As can be seen by the score both games were warmly contested.

HOCKEY.

MATCH POSTPONED.

It is announced that the senior league match, scheduled to be played to-day between the Victoria and R. G. A. teams, has been cancelled owing to the condition of the grounds as a result of the recent snowfall.

The game will take place on the 28th inst. or the 4th of February, the date to be definitely decided at a meeting of the association.

DAWSON TEAM DEFEATED.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—The Ottawa hockey team to-night defeated the Dawson City team by nine to two in the first game of the Stanley cup series. The Yukoners were hardly in form.

THE RING.

HILL v. SMITH.

Arrangements are being made by the management of the Savoy theatre for a boxing tournament. It is stated that there is a possibility of a 20-round contest between Collie Hill and Fred. Smith, of Seattle, being brought off in Victoria. If the agreement is signed by those directly concerned, the match will take place at the Savoy on Thursday, the 26th inst. Bobby Johnson, of San Francisco, has challenged the winner of this contest.

MATCH AT LADYSMITH.

At Ladysmith to-night Bert Clarke, of Denver, Colo., and Harry Augustine, of Glasgow, will meet in a 20-round contest. They have been training for some weeks.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

WILL NOT BE PLAYED.

All the games announced for this afternoon have been declared off. There were three of these, namely, Victoria United vs. Bonaventure (senior), Capitals vs. Victoria West (intermediate), and North Ward vs. Capitals (junior). Members of the executive yesterday decided that it would be in the interests of all concerned to postpone the matches indefinitely. They will take the question of the rearrangement of dates into consideration at the next regular meeting.

BILLIARDS.

TOURNEY MATCHES.

An interesting match was played last evening between Ellis (rec. 40) and Menzies (rec. 60) at the Driard hotel. It was a tournament game and was won by the former by a score of 300 to 213 points.

To-night a contest is to take place between Warden and Geiger, while following this will be the Routledge-Cave match, which has been looked forward to by enthusiasts.

BOARD OF TRADE MET YESTERDAY

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delaying the matter, as would be the result if this course was pursued.

The resolution of Mr. Morley was carried.

iWth respect to the closing of Rock Bay bridge, Mr. McCandless favored the committee, which had appeared before the old council in the matter, continuing its work before the new council. He thought the general opinion was in favor of keeping the bridge open for foot traffic and light vehicular trade.

This was agreed to, and the committee will be requested to act.

The president reported upon other business which had come up at the council meetings.

The question of a light at Cape Beale had been referred to Geo. Riley, M. P., with a request to urge it upon the department.

With respect to cable rate reduction, it had been ascertained that there was not much likelihood of a reduction at present.

Negotiations were in progress by Mr. Townsley, which looked to the reopening of the rice mills.

The recommendation for a competent survey looking to harbor improvement had been laid before Hon. Senator Templeman, who approved of it, and would lay it before the authorities at Ottawa.

A letter had been received from the deputy minister regarding the request of the board for facilities for shipping crews at this port. It was promised that legislation looking to this would be introduced at this session.

The Victoria Terminal railway matter had been gone into with the city council, which reported that negotiations looking towards a settlement was in progress.

The council had also interviewed Premier McBride on the subject of British Columbia being represented at the Lewis & Clarke exhibition at Portland. The Premier had informed them that the Dominion government had taken up the work in connection with these exhibitions. The Dominoon government had accordingly been approached on the subject.

The meeting then adjourned.

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Church Services To-Morrow

CHURCH OF OUR LORD.

Services at 11 and 7, with sermons by Rev. H. J. Wood. The holy communion will be administered at the close of the evening service. On Friday a short service conducted by the rector in the chancel of the church, beginning at 7.45 p. m. The music for to-morrow is as follows:

Morning.

Organ—Et Incarnatus ..... Haydn
Venite and Psalms—As Set .....
Te Deum—11 ..... Mercer
Jubilate—3 ..... Mercer
Hymns .... 112 A. & M., 317, 115 and 383
Organ—March Gloria ..... Jules Therese

Evening.

Organ—Faith ..... Rossini
Psalms—As Set .....
Cantate—13 ..... Mercer
Deus—18 ..... Mercer
Hymns ..... 131, 135 and 20

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

Services: Holy communion, 8 a. m.; morning service and ante-communion, 11 a. m.; evening service, 7 p. m. Preachers, morning, Canon Beanlands; evening, the Lord Bishop. Sermons throughout the Dominion on behalf of the Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada. The music set for the day follows:

Morning.

Voluntary—Andante ..... Dr. Hopkins
Venite ..... Stainer
Psalms for 15th Morning. Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum ..... Woodward
Benedictus ..... Langdon
Kyrie ..... J. H. Maunder
Gloria ..... J. H. Maunder
Hymns ..... 273, 360 and 219
Voluntary—Heaven and Earth Display. ..... Athalie

Evening.

Voluntary—Intermezzo ..... Storer
Processional Hymn 391
Psalms for 15th Evening. Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat ..... J. H. Maunder
Nunc Dimittis ..... J. H. Maunder
Anthem—Give Peace in Our Time. Collcott
Tenor Solo, A. T. Goward.
Hymns ..... 362 and 31
Vesper Hymn ..... M. S.
Recessional Hymn 540
Voluntary—Grand Offertoire in D .. Batiste

ST. JAMES'S.

Rector, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet. Holy communion at 8; matins, ante-communion and sermon at 11; evensong and sermon at 7. Evening preacher, Rev. J. Anderson, chaplain H. M. S. Bonaventure. The music follows:

Morning.

Organ Voluntary .....
Venite and Psalms .... Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum—1st Setting .... Cathedral Psalter
Benedictus ..... Troutbeck
Kyrie ..... Tonus Peregrinus
Hymns ..... 219 and 80
Organ Voluntary .....

Evening.

Organ Voluntary .....
Psalms ..... Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat ..... Barnby
Nunc Dimittis ..... Felton
Hymns ..... 166, 76 and 31
Vesper Hymn ..... M. S.
Organ Voluntary .....

ST. JOHN'S.

Preachers: Morning, Rev. Percival Jenns; evening, Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard. The music follows:

Matins.

Organ—He Shall Feed His Flock.. Handel
Venite ..... Stainer
Psalms ..... Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum ..... Second Set
Jubilate ..... Hayes
Hymn 291
Kyrie ..... Ard
Gloria Tibi ..... Tallis, 3
Hymns ..... 176 and 280
Organ—Behold the Lamb of God.. Handel

Evensong.

Organ—Andante ..... Guilmant
Psalms ..... Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat ..... Barnby
Nunc Dimittis ..... Monk
Hymns ..... 229, 528 and 12
Amen .....
Vesper—Lord Keep Us Safe .....
Organ—Postlude ..... Smart

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. W. Leslie Clay, B. A., will be the preacher at both services, which will be held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 2.30; Bible class at 3. The musical portion is as follows:

Morning.

Voluntary—At Daybreak ..... Schneider
Psalm 78
Anthem—Make a Joyful Noise .... Simper
Hymns ..... 177, 208 and 456
Voluntary—Communion ..... Guilmant

Evening.

Voluntary—In Paradisum ..... Dubois
Psalm 74
Anthem—His Works of Love ..... Simper
Trio, Miss Bishop and Messrs. Gibson and Christopher.
Hymns ..... 385 and 263
Solo—Man of Sorrows ..... Adams
D. B. Christopher.
Voluntary—Grand Chorus ..... Driffell

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The pastor, Dr. Campbell, will preach at both services, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Subject at the evening service, "The Church in the Catacombs at Rome." Junior Christian Endeavor Society at 10 a. m. Sunday school and Bible class at 2.30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to strangers to attend.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL.

Divine worship at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The pastor, Rev. Hermon A. Carson, B. A., will occupy the pulpit at both services. Morning subject, "Man's Greatest Asset"; evening, "Church Union—Toronto Conference and Results." Sabbath school and Bible classes at 2.30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. Society at 8.15 p. m. All are cordially invited.

CENTENNIAL METHODIST.

Special educational services. Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B. D., president of the conference, will preach both morning and evening. Good music will be furnished by the choir. Sunday school and Bible class at 2.30.

VICTORIA WEST METHODIST.

On Sunday the Mission Band of the city will assist in evangelistic services. The pastor, R. J. McIntyre, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, "A Sad Home in Bethany"; evening, "Accountability to God." Sunday school and Bible class in the afternoon at 2.30. You will be made welcome at all these services.

METROPOLITAN METHODIST.

Special services conducted by the pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams. At 11 a. m., illustrated sermon for boys and girls; at 7 p. m., evangelistic song service. Classes, 10 a.m. Sunday school and Bible classes, 2.30 p.m. Evangelistic services during the week.

CALVARY BAPTIST.

The pastor, Rev. J. F. Vichert, M. A., will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, "The Unwearied God"; evening, "Christ Unable to Save Himself." The ordinance of baptism will be administered at the evening service. Sunday school and Bible class, 2.30 p. m. B. Y. P. U., Monday, 8 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 p. m.

ST. PAUL'S, GERMAN LUTHERAN.

Services at 11 a. m. Children's services at 10 a. m. Rev. Wm. Heinecke, pastor.

UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD.

Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society, Centre No. 87, holds a public meeting at 28 Broad street every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Addresses for to-morrow, Sunday, follow: "Prehistoric America"; "Theosophy in Business." Questions are invited from the audience.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY.

Regular Sunday services are held at 87 Pandora street at 11 a. m. Subject to-morrow "Truth."

THEY ENJOYED THE FEAST.

London's Ragged Poor Had a Royal Dinner—It was Canada's Treat.

Victorians who contributed so generously to the London ragged children's Christmas dinner fund will be interested in the following account of the feast which appeared in the Daily Graphic of Friday, December 30th:

"Last year, when Mr. John Kirk, the secretary of the Ragged School Union, was in Canada, he mentioned to some friends there that every year for the past eight or nine years the children of South Australia had shown their sympathy with some of the poor children of London by entertaining them to a Christmas dinner. The Canadian reply to the suggestion was: 'We should like to do the same thing,' and yesterday one thousand children sat down to dinner in the public hall, Canning Town, as the guests of their unknown Canadian hosts. The diners were all local children. To the head teachers in twenty-four schools was entrusted the work of sending out the invitations, so that the most needy children might come.

"All the guests had an unlimited supply of roast beef, baked potatoes and plum pudding, and each child had a mince pie, an orange and a glass of lemonade. The children sat at long tables. 'Pass it down' was the order given at the heads of the tables as the plates of hot meat were handed up. It says something for the discipline of the children that the order was always obeyed, but as each plate of meat was passed from one thin little hand to another it was admired and coveted. The guests were very quiet; they had come there to eat, and were in no mood to talk until appetites had been satisfied. Stunted little children most of them were, and all of them had white faces and hungry eyes. Here and there you saw a little mite looking nervously at the top of the table. 'Will there be enough for all of us—enough for me?' she seemed to be thinking. Presently a large plate of meat reached the child and had not to be handed on, and then an expression of relief came over her pinched little face.

"After dinner was over, the children enjoyed an exhibition of animated photographs. There had been some little trouble about this, because the borough council require forty-eight hours' notice of such an entertainment being given. However, the mayor of West Ham, Councillor Byford, who was present, undertook the responsibility of allowing the entertainment to be given. The band of the Poplar Day Industrial School played at dinner.

"The following message was thrown upon the screen: 'Children, shall we send our love and best wishes to our real good friends in the Canadian Dominion and British Columbia, especially those over the Rockies, on the far Pacific coast? Will this do? Dear friends over the water, we are all delighted with this scrumptious treat and thank you all very, very much and wish you all a Happy New Year.—Yours affectionately, Joyful Boys and Girls.'

"Lord Strathcona was expected to be present, but not being able to come he sent his good wishes and a subscription.

"Outside the hall some two or three hundred children clamored for admission. They had had no tickets and so could not be allowed to come in, but they possessed the qualifications of the guests—they were poor and hungry."

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The Gloucester schooner Lancer, which was sunk in a collision in the Bay of Islands, Newfoundland, last Sunday, lost five of her crew.

A special to the Watertown, N.Y., Standard from Canton says: "Dr. Almon Gunnison, president of the St. Lawrence University, Friday announced that he had received $50,000 from Andrew Carnegie with which to build and equip a new science hall."

The starch plant of the Corn Products Company at Oswego, N.Y., was damaged to the extent of $150,000 by a fire Friday, which destroyed three buildings used for the packing department, kiln room and scraping room. A portion of the granary department was also damaged. Several person were injured.

Mr. Powell, the American minister, has informed the government of Hayti that the United States government refuses to recognize the validity of the sentence in contumacy to fifteen years at hard labor pronounced by the Haytien court against Jaeger Huber, an American citizen, for alleged complicity in bond frauds. The United States demands the annulment of the sentence under pain of energetic intervention.

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Alderman for North Ward.

DR. LEWIS HALL,
Alderman For North Ward.

The wedding on Tuesday, in which Capt. Blandy and Miss Vernon were the principals, was the chief society event of the week. The day was an ideal one, being dry overhead and clean under foot, and in consequence the ladies were not at all apprehensive of having their best gowns spoilt. One day last summer Miss Vernon and Captain Blandy started out from the barracks in a canoe for a trip up the Gorge, but when out a short distance the canoe upset and it was all that Captain Blandy could do to keep his fair passenger afloat until a boat came along and towed them to safety. How far that little episode was the prelude of the longer journey now begun they alone can tell, and it may even be that they are a little hazy about it.

The bride's wedding dress was a white Liberty satin trimmed with old Brussels lace, the gift of her mother. The skirt had an overskirt of the same lace. The only ornaments she wore were a pearl brooch, a gift from her grandmother, which was given to her on her own wedding day, and a diamond star, the gift of the bridegroom. The bride carried a beautiful bouquet of roses, lilies of the valley and asparagus fern, tied with white tulle. The bridesmaids, Miss Alice Bell and Miss Violet Pooley, one of the season's debutantes, were picturesque in pale blue crepe de chine dresses and large picture hats. The bride's going-away dress was blue velveteen, trimmed with beautiful lace and mandarin trimming; her hat was of white velvet with white ostrich feathers, and she carried her bridal bouquet.

Mrs. Vernon, mother of the bride, wore black silk trimmed with jet; Mrs. MacTavish, grandmother of the bride, looked very happy and well in a dress of black crepe with real lace; Mrs. Pooley, black silk trimmed with heavy black silk fringe; Mrs. James Dunsmuir, brown velveteen with lace and hat to match; Mrs. H. P. Bell, black with black picture hat; Miss Pooley looked very smart in a pale blue rough cloth, trimmed with black, beaver hat to match; Mrs. Bland, brown cloth trimmed with brown silk and panne, beautiful white beaver hat with long brown feather; Mrs. Watts, pale blue cashmere and lace; Mrs. Burton, white crepe over pink, with a white hat trimmed with beaver; Miss Keefer, as usual looked well in white with a large black picture hat; Miss Boswell wore a white crepe with a touch of black and black hat; Mrs. Barkley (Westholme) was in white with a big white hat trimmed with fur; Mrs. Holmes, in black; Hon. Mrs. Hood looked very smart in a white cloth trimmed with pink and hat to match; Mrs. A. W. Jones, blue gray velveteen dress with white beaver hat trimmed with black velvet and fur; Miss Ferriss (Tacoma), blue velvet with white cloth trimmings; Mrs. Rhodes, black dress with very smart long white coat; Mrs. E. P. Davis (Vancouver) wore a handsome gown of brown applique and sequins—it was one of the best there; Mrs. Fagan looked very pretty in a champagne colored dress with a wide girdle of green panne; Miss O'Reilly, brown cloth; Miss Dorothy Green, gray with green velvet hat; Mrs. G. L. Courtney, blue velveteen suit; Mrs. Goodrich wore a pretty gown of gray canvas de soie; Miss Bodwell, black dress with white lace yoke and white hat; Miss Eva Loewen looked very dainty in mauve silk; Mrs. Gillespie was very handsome in gray with ermine furs; Miss Erskine looked charming in a pale gray suit; Miss Susie Pemberton, fawn dress of canvas de soie with velvet hat a few shades darker; Mrs. Blaicklock, black with sequin trimmings; Miss Brady, fawn corduroy with lace; Miss Tilton, gray cloth; Mrs. Oliver, black; Mrs. Cuppage wore a dainty fawn gown of crepe de Paris, with lace and hat to match; Miss Kane, blue cloth with white applique; Miss Gladys Green, green velvet suit with velvet hat; Miss Flumerfelt, white cloth; Mrs. Beaven, black silk with white lace; Miss Foster, gray cloth; Miss Macdonald, gray canvas de soie over silk; Mrs. Langworthy, pale green shot silk with real lace; Miss Violet Powell, white with hat to match; Miss McEnnery looked exceedingly well in a white cloth skirt and pretty white silk blouse; Mrs. Martin, green cloth suit and hat; Miss Devereaux, white dress and hat; Mrs. Rithet wore a beautiful gown of black lace over silk and chiffon; Mrs. Flumerfelt, black crepe de chine with lace; Mrs. Lampman, brown cloth trimmed with white; Mrs. Bunbury, mauve cloth with panne trimmings; Mrs. Ling was very picturesque in a pale green cloth coat and skirt; Mrs. Wright, black dress and hat; Mrs. Prior was becomingly gowned in black chiffon cloth with black silk insertion; Mrs. R. H. Pooley looked well in a crepe de chine; Mrs. Hugo Beaven, gray voile; Mrs. McCallum was very handsome in black with real lace; Mrs. Davidson, black and white; Mrs. Genge was charming in white crepe de chine with beautiful white cloth applique coat, and black hat; Mrs. Harold Robertson, pearl gray canvas cloth with gray hat; Miss Violet Drake, who has lately come home from England, was smartly gowned in white; Mrs B. W. Pearse, black velvet with ermine; Mrs. Little looked very striking in a white lace dress over silk; Mrs. Rome, black dress and hat; Miss Nonie Powell looked very sweet in brown; Mrs. Norton, blue with very becoming hat; Mrs. Carew-Gibson (Cariboo Road), brown cloth; Miss Loewen, white cloth with blue rough felt hat.

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Mrs. C. Lang, of Battery street, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Grace, have left for San Diego, Cal., to spend the winter. Mr. Fred Lang also went.

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Mrs. F. A. Bennett is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. F. R. McD. Russell, of Vancouver.

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The Ottawa papers, referring to those present at the opening of parliament on Thursday, have the following:

Mrs. W. Sloane (Nanaimo)—Very handsome cream crepe de chine, inlet with rich hand embroidery in a design inthe front of the shirt and bordering the edge over chiffon, and silk bodice opening over a gauged chiffon front, with a bertha or opalescent and silver sequins and pearls.

Mrs. Templeman (Victoria)—Modish gown of cloth of a dark shade of pastel green, combined with cream chiffon cloth inlaid with motifs of embroidered net, bands of rich Persian embroidery adorn the corsage and sleeves, making a striking costume.

Mrs. Riley (Victoria)—A dainty white silk crepon over yellow silk with ruffling of same, above which was some exquisite Mexican lace, corsage strapped with black velvet ribbon and sequins.

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Miss Cook, of Vancouver, is the guest of Mrs. Hanington, corner of Kane and Blanchard streets.

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Miss MacKay, of Ottawa, who has been visiting in the city, has gone to "Earl's Court," Vancouver.

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On Wednesday evening Mrs. James Dunsmuir entertained a party of young people at "Burleith." The large music room was utilized for dancing, a pastime in which the guests indulged with all the enthusiasm of youth. Among those there were: Miss Monteith, Miss Bell, Miss M. Little, Miss E. Pitts, Miss T. Monteith, Miss M. Pitts, Miss E. Hanington, Miss Cook, Miss Pooley, Miss D. Green, Miss V. Pooley, Miss G. Green, Miss Beth Irving and Miss N. Dupont, and Mr. B. Bell, Mr. Tom Pooley, Mr. B. Prior, Mr. D. Hanington, Mr. R. Monteith, Mr. Willie Irving, Mr. F. Hanington, Mr. G. C. Johnston, Mr. Foote, Mr. Scholefield, Mr. L. Bell, Mr. J. Cambie and Mr. Radcliffe.

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Mrs. N. B. Gresley gave a charming little tea party at her home on Elford street on Monday last. The hostess received her guests in her cosy drawing room, and doubly so in contrast with the cold and frosty weather outside; she wore a handsome gown of gray canvas de soie, trimmed with silver sequins. Miss Jeffrey (Mrs. Gresley's sister) assisted with the tea. Some of those who enjoyed the afternoon were Mrs. G. H. Barnard, Mrs. P. S. Lampman, Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Mrs. Harold Robertson, Mrs. W. E. Oliver, Mrs. R. H. Pooley and Miss Ferriss, of Tacoma.

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Amongst the men present were Mr. Forbes Vernon, Col. Holmes, Col. Prior, Col. Jones, Mr. G. H. Burns, Senator Macdonald, Col. Gregory, Mr. Justice Martin, Mr. P. S. Lampman, Mr. F. O'Reilly, Commodore Goodrich, Mr. G. Cuppage, Mr. L. Crease, Mr. F. Foster, Mr. Langworthy, Mr. R. P. Rithet, Mr. C. E. Pooley, Mr. Ling, Capt. Bunbury, Mr. Foll, R.A., Mr. Genge, Capt. Wright, Mr. Hood, R.E., Mr. Leslie Bell, Major Bland, Capt. Watts, Mr. R. H. Pooley, Mr. R. E. Barkley, Mr. P. Keefer, Mr. J. S. Patton, Mr. Hanington, Mr. McEnnery, Mr. Roland Stuart, Mr. Alexis Martin, Mr. Wyllis, R.N., and Mr. Monteith.

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Miss Ethel Bechtel left on Tuesday evening for Tucson, Arizona, to join her mother, who is wintering there.

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Mrs. and Miss Erskine, of England, are visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. Percy Ling, Esquimalt road.

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Miss Baiss has returned from a visit with friends in Vancouver.

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Chief Justice and Mrs. Hunter are back from Shawnigan Lake, where they spent their Xmas vacation at their charming cottage at the end of the lake. Capt. A. T. Hunter, of Toronto, extracts from whose address on "Condensed Militarism in Canada" appeared in the Times of 31st December last, is a brother of the Chief Justice. He was one of the unsuccessful Liberal candidates in Toronto for the Commons.

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Mr. Roland Stuart, of "Hatley Park," is back from a trip to the Old Country. While away he took occasion to point out the disadvantages of removing the navy from Esquimalt.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Davis, of Vancouver, have been in town during the week.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. L. G. Abbott, of Vancouver, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Abbott, of Elford street, for several days this week. Mr. Abbott is the registrar of land titles in Vancouver.

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A copy of the Hastings and St. Leonards Observer to hand contains particulars of a recent wedding in London, one of the principal of which, the bridegroom, is a cousin of Dr. G. L. Milne, of this city. The account is as follows:

"A wedding of much interest to Hastings and St. Leonards people took place in London on Saturday. At St. Peter's, Eaton square, Dr. Inglis, of Pevensey road, St. Leonards, son of the late Alexander Inglis, of Aberdeen, was married to Wilhelmina Simson, daughter of the late William Middleton Tennent, and graud-daughter of Mr. Hugh Tennent, J. P., of Well Park. The bride's residence was Dunbarnie Cottage, Bridge of Earn, Perthshire. The ceremony took place at 2.30, and the officiating clergymen were the Very Rev. the Dean of St. Andrew's, assisted by Rev. Prebendary Jones, of St. John's church, Upper St. Leonards.

"The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Tennent, J. P., of Holland House, West Kilbride, was attired in pale gray crepe de chine, trimmed with chiffon and old Irish lace, gray toque to match, and lace veil, lent by the Hon. Lady Murray. Two little pages, Master John Tennent, nephew of the bride, and Master Freeman-Thomas, son of Mr. Freeman-Thomas, M. P., and the Hon. Mrs. Freeman-Thomas, carried the bride's train. They wore white satin hunting breeches, flowered waistcoats, red coats and ruffles. Each had a pearl pin, the gift of the bridegroom. Eight little girls, nieces of the bride and bridegroom, distributed lilies of the valley to the large congregation. They were the Misses Tennent (4), Inglis, Mackenzie (2), and Miller. They wore white coats trimmed with fur, white beaver hats, trimmed with white chiffon and feathers. Each wore a gold curb bracelet, the gift of the bridegroom.

The best man was Mr. J. Brodie. The bride's travelling costume was of cornflower blue cloth, trimmed with white fox and white crepe, with a blue chenille hat, with feathers, sable-lined coat, the gift of her cousins, the Misses Craigie, of Dunbarnie, Bridge of Earn."

The list of guests included many distinguished people, among them being Earl of Mansfield, Viscountess Stormont, Earl of Carnwath, Earl and Countess of Murray, Sir Malcolm Macgregor, Lady Helen Macgregor, Lord and Lady Alexander Kennedy, Earl and Countess of Yarmouth, Dowager Countess of Limerick, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild and so many others that the list of their names would fill two columns of this paper. The gifts were costly and numerous.

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The last important event in society before Lent begins will be the dance to be given by the Native Sons in the Assembly rooms on the 10th of next month. This year's dance promises to surpass any similar event ever given in Victoria. A number of novel innovations are promised. The committee who has the dance in hand, realizing that music is one of the most important features of a ball, has about closed with a distinguished violin virtuoso, who is now on the road and who will be in the vicinity of Victoria at the time the dance is held, to appear and lead a full orchestra. This has been made possible by reason of the close friendship existing between this musician and one of the gentlemen prominent in the society. The supper is in the hands of a capable committee, while the decorations will be on a scale of grandeur never attempted before.

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PERSONAL.

Hon. Chas. Wilson, K. C., attorney-general of the province, who arrived in Vancouver two days ago, is delighted to get back to British Columbia after enbountering the cold of the East. The Attorney-General's mission, it will be remembered, was the obtaining of leave from the judicial committee of the Privy Council to appeal two cases affecting British Columbia. These were the taxation of the lands granted to the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway and the constitutionality of the legislation forbidding Chinese to work underground in mines. These questions will be argued before the Privy Council at a date to be arranged.

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Mrs. Exley, of North Saanich; Mrs. Bradley Dyne, of Saturna Island; W. A. Cutler, P. M. Beasley and W. E. Wintemute, of Vancouver; and Thos. Kleinogel, of Seattle, are guests at the Vernon.

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E. Cook and Frank Benson, of Vancouver; S. B. Hill, of Seattle; and F. W. Churchouse and J. J. Graves, of San Francisco, are at the Driard.

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Raymond L. Blanc, of Levis, Quebec, and W. Riley, of Seattle, are guests at the Balmoral.

No. 237.

CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

I hereby certify "The Everett Timber and Investment Company" has this day been registered as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the Company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate at Everett, County of Snohomish, State of Washington, U. S. A.

The amount of the capital of the Company is three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, divided into three thousand five hundred shares of one hundred dollars each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at the City of Victoria, and E. V. Bodwell, barrister and solicitor, whose address is 34½ Government street, in said City, is the attorney for the Company (not empowered to issue and transfer stock).

The time of the existence of the Company is fifty years.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of December, one thousand nine hundred and four.

(L. S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The objects for which the Company has been established are:

For the purpose of buying or otherwise acquiring timber-producing, coal, iron and other mineral lands, tenements, hereditaments and other real and leasehold property, or growing timber, or "stumpage," so-called, in the State of Washington and elsewhere, and holding, selling or otherwise dealing in and disposing of the same, and buying, selling and dealing in mortgages covering real or leasehold property, situated in the State of Washington or elsewhere, securing the purchase price of any property so acquired by the execution of mortgages, selling, exchanging, leaving or otherwise disposing of property acquired as aforesaid, and taking mortgages as security for the purchase price of any property disposed of as aforesaid; for the further purpose of catching, booming, sorting, rafting and holding logs, lumber and timber products, constructing or otherwise acquiring and operating sheer and receiving booms, dolphins, piers, piles or other structures necessary and essential to such employment, manufacturing and selling logs, timber and lumber of all varieties, constructing, purchasing or otherwise acquiring and operating mills, works and improvements of every kind necessary and essential to such manufacture, carrying on the business of mining coal, iron and other minerals or ores, and working, smelting, refining, manufacturing and selling the same, and doing any and all things which the trustees may deem necessary or convenient for the improvement, development, enjoyment and use of the property of said Company.

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F. F. HEDGES, Secy.-Treas. E. B. MARVIN, President.
Victoria, 7th January, 1905.

Notice of Application for Grant of Foreshore License to Construct Wharf.

Notice is hereby given that, under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1886, Chapters 36 and 92, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria has applied to the Governor-General in Council for the grant of a portion of the foreshore on the northeast of Rock Bay, in Victoria Harbor.

A plan of the said foreshore and of the works and improvements proposed and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed sites of the same have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof has been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1904.
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Clerk of the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria.

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BRIEF LOCALS

—The third social evening will be held in St. Barnabas school room on Tuesday next, 17th inst., at 8 o'clock. All friends cordially invited.

—The members of the newly elected city council took the formal oath of office this morning. The ceremony took place before Mr. Justice Martin.

—The annual exhibition of the Victoria Pet Stock and Poultry Association, which has been in progress for the last few days at the annex hall of the Y.M.C.A., will close this evening.

—A special service for children will be held in Emmanuel Baptist church tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. E. Le Roy Dakin, B.A., the pastor, will speak on "Magnets." Sunday Bible school at 2.30 p.m. Evening evangelistic service at 7 o'clock, preaching by the pastor. Subject, "Jesus's Message to Men."

—The statement that Victor Calgaran, who committed suicide near the Claxton cannery on the Skeena river, was employed at the cannery at the time of his death, is incorrect. The deceased had only been employed as watchman at the cannery during the fishing season. Since that time he had dived in the vicinity of the cannery.

—According to reports received at the local meteorological office the present fall of snow has not extended very far north on Vancouver Island. At 11 o'clock yesterday no snow had fallen at Nanaimo, and at 5 o'clock this morning the fall at New Westminster had been very light and disappeared almost immediately. To the south the snow area extends as far as the Columbia river.

—The regular weekly gallery shoot of members of the High school cadet corps took place this morning at the drill hall. Some of the best scores follow: Bamford, 23; Walters, 21; Kent, 19; Sears, 17; Angus, 16; King, 16; Rollin, 15; Trace, 15; Robson, 15; Elford, 15; Spencer, 15; Macrae, 15; Beckwith, 15; Whittier, 14; Norris, 13; McGregor, 13, and Boyd, 13.

—The post office department has arranged for the performance of three round trips with mails between Telegraph Creek and Wrangel, Alaska, for the present winter. Advices are to the effect that the first mail will leave Telegraph Creek early on the morning of the 15th inst., and with good weather should arrive at Wrangel within five days. Letters for Telegraph Creek and interior points will be sent by the steamer Cottage City, leaving here on the 17th inst., which should reach Wrangel in time to connect with the mail carrier before his return to Telegraph Creek. The dates of dispatch in February and March will be noted in the Victoria P. O. Guide for those months.

—Merchants' lunch at Hotel Driard from 12 to 2 o'clock.

—House wiring. Hinton Electric Co.

TWENTY "KNOTTER" FOR THE PACIFIC

WILL GREATLY REDUCE TRANSOCEANIC TIME

Vessel Will Not Visit Sound Ports—The First Sealer Will Be the Casco—Marine Notes.

It is announced on the Sound that the new steamers building for the C. P. R. Company are to ply between Oriental, British Columbia and Puget Sound ports, and that Seattle is to be included in the ports of call.

This is an error. The Victoria agent when asked this morning if he could confirm the statement, said that the steamers of the C. P. R. Asiatic fleet will not visit the Sound. There is, he said, but one steamer to be build for the Pacific trade and two for the Atlantic. It is considered that all three will be the finest vessels of their kind afloat. With a speed of 20 knots it is expected that the new Pacific liners will greatly reduced the time now taken between the Orient and the Occident. The Empresses probably average 14 knots an hour in crossing the Pacific. With an average speed of 17 or 18 knots an hour it can be readily seen what a wonderful saving in time a new vessel of the kind mentioned could effect.

The new vessels will not be quite so palatial possibly as some of the German steamers, but Arthur Piers, the company's superintendent of steamship lines, states that in design, equipment, convenience and decoration they will surpass any yet plying from American or Canadian ports.

Mr. Piers added that the two vessels for the Atlantic will revolutionize the Canadian passenger business on that ocean, tending, as they will, to popularize the St. Lawrence route even more largely than heretofore.

"The fact of the matter is," said Mr. Piers, "that we in Canada have never had any passenger vessels on the Atlantic that could compete with those running into New York. The C. P. R. will now set the pace in this respect. These vessels will form the nucleus of a standardized fleet for the company."

Some idea of the size of the vessels may be gained from the fact that they will be 550 feet between perpendiculars, with a 65-foot beam. They will be 14,500 tons, which forms a much greater tonnage than either the Tunisian of the Bavarian.

Although the Canadian Pacific railway has no contract for carrying mails upon the Atlantic, and while the company is carrying out its designs altogether irrespective of the granting or withholding of such a contract, it has been stipulated that the vessels in question shall have a speed—20 knots an hour—that will bring them within the conditions that the government exacted in this respect when calling for tenders in the past. The vessels will consequently be able to carry mails between Queenstown and Rimouski in 5½ days, while the distance between Liverpool and Quebec will be readily covered in 6½ days.

While ample accommodation is being provided for cargo, the vessels will be admirably adapted for the purpose for which they are primarily intended, viz., to carry passengers. With this object in view accommodation will be provided for 300 first class passengers, 350 second class passengers, and for between 750 and 1,000 steerage passengers, according to the claims that are made at various seasons upon the quarters usually reserved for the immigrants.

The vessels will be constructed of steel, and will be fitted with quadruple expansion engines of the most modern type. As has been the case with the company's vessels on the Pacific, the effort of the management will be directed to having these new vessels run absolutely on advertised time, which Mr. Piers considers to be a requirement demanded much more by modern travellers than boasted average speed at sea.

SHIPPING OF CONTRABAND.

In substantiation of the report published in the Times that a Russian spy has been keeping watch on outbound shipping, news is received from Port Townsend in effect that both Russian and Japanese agents are active there. Asked concerning a reported shipment of torpedo boats, Collector Ide is quoted as saying:

"Sworn manifests made to the customs house show no reference to torpedo boats. It is true that about the time the newspapers contained items about torpedo boats, a shipment manifested as steel plates went forward.

"There are a number of Russians and Japanese keeping track of Oriental shipments from this district. The Japanese are particularly active, and I judge they have accurate and complete records, especially concerning foodstuffs which have been shipped.

"Such information as the public is entitled to know when inquiry is made is, of course, given out by the customs officials. Frequently the Japanese ask information requiring the time of officials, and in such cases they are ready with the money to pay the proper charges.

"Of course, there are many things people would like to know about shipments we are unable to give. We do not furnish information concerning names of consigners nor consignees, although figures on quantities of any certain export will be given when available, and proper assistance will be given toward securing information when such is not readily available. Sometimes it is possible to allow the inquirer to inspect records and gather the desired data, and this privilege is asked often by the Japanese.

"I find many particularly bright and intelligent Japanese engaged in the work. The Russians are not nearly so numerous, nor active. As such, no contraband has cleared from Puget Sound. Had a protest been made that any sworn manifest was false we should, of course, have made an inspection. Large shipments have been made of breadstuffs and meat."

SUBMARINE TORPEDO BOATS.

A Minneapolis dispatch, January 12th, says: "Another consignment of submarine torpedo boats was handled from the Burlington road to the Great Northern railway at Hamline and rushed onward to the coast to-day. It was a duplicate of the shipment of boats which passed through here in the summer. These shipments of war supplies have become so numerous as to excite little attention at the transfer station. They consist of ammunition, guns, beef and medicines. In no instance have the supplies been shipped directly to the Japanese government, but have been consigned to the agent of the shipper in Japan."

THE CASCO READY.

The schooner Casco is ready for sea, and may get away to-day. She will be the first of the Victoria sealing fleet to leave for down the coast. Others will probably sail next week. All the early schooners away will carry white crews, and as there is considerable delay as a rule in getting the men together, it is possible that the Casco may not sail before the beginning of the week. The weather is also a factor in getting the vessels ready for sea, which has to be considered.

MARINE NOTES.

The steamship Pleiades, which is due here on the 20th inst. with passengers and general cargo for Victoria, is being followed across the Pacific by another vessel of the same line. The Shawmut left Kobe on January 3rd, and will be due to arrive soon after the Pleiades. The Tremont is still another of the same line crossing the Pacific. She began her return voyage from Manila last Monday.

The ship Carleton may be released by W. R. Chesley, of Seattle, who has signed a contract with the California Shipping Company. The pontoon method will be employed. Mr. Chesley will begin work to-day, and is obliged to complete it by January 24th.

—In view of the great interest taken in Victoria in the policy of the Admiralty, it is interesting to know that Mr. Lugrin has had in hand for several months, and now well advanced towards completion, a book entitled "An Imperial Frontier," in which he will present a statement of facts, together with an argument, showing the relations of British Columbia to the great trade now being built up on the North Pacific ocean, as well as the importance of our coast as a strategic frontier. In Mr. Lugrin's opinion the Pacific ocean is about to become the greatest centre of human activity, and the vast resources of Canada will be drawn upon to an unlimited extent to supply the requirements of commerce. He will present facts showing that for the trade of the greater portion of the North American continent, the shortest and best route to the Orient is via British Columbia seaports, and that the same is true of business between western Europe and eastern Asia. The book is to be illustrated by pictures and maps. He expects to have it ready for the press in about three months.

—A cordial invitation is extended those interested to attend the song services to be held at the Y.M.C.A. parlors to-morrow evening. The chair will be taken at 8.30 o'clock.

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CARD OF THANKS

The bazaar recently held for the benefit of St. Andrew's Cathedral netted $2,700.95. The Catholic ladies, under whose auspices the bazaar was conducted, wish to extend to all who assisted them in making it a success their sincerest thanks.

COMMITTEE.

CARD OF THANKS

I desire to sincerely thank the ladies and gentlemen who assisted in my election.

ALFRED HUGGETT.

CARD OF THANKS

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD:

I take this opportunity to thank the electors and friends of North Ward for the hearty support extended me, and, although not elected, expect to come before you again in some future contest.

Yours, most respectfully,
GEO. PENKETH.

Some of our January list of 10-inch Records: Tenor Solos by Harry Macdonough, with Orchestra Accompaniment.

IN THE DAYS OF OLD—Another of the effective songs which have been largely responsible for the success of "The Yankee Consul."

MY MERCEDES—This charming song is a Western publication, and is becoming known throughout the country. It is a perfect record in every respect.

SYLVIA—A New England success which will make us wish to hear again from these new song writers.

T. PLIMLEY, Sole Agent,
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—The Princess Victoria left Vancouver at 1.15 after connecting with the train from the East.

—Owing to the absence of the tug Sadie at Ladysmith, Dr. Fagan and Sanitary Inspector Wilson were unable to make their trip to Darcy Island yesterday as intended. They will visit the lepers on Monday or Tuesday.

—Dr. Mitchell, at one time surgeon on one of the Empress liners, died at the Jubilee hospital yesterday afternoon. Owing to ill health the deceased of late had been engaged in the mining business of Atlin, spending the winter in Victoria. He was a native of England.

—On Wednesday evening next an interesting lecture will be delivered by Rev. A. Ewing on "A Trip to the Far East" at the Y.M.C.A. rooms, Broad street. His remarks are to be illustrated by 100 views of Japan and China. This is one of the regular series and should be most instructive and entertaining.

—House wiring. Hinton Electric Co.

A student of the population of the anthracite region of Pennsylvania reports that there are 630,000 people inhabiting that section, of whom 430,000 are foreigners. Of this latter number more than 50,000 cannot read or write.

Great Sale of Overcoats

The best dressers in this city are taking advantage of the tremendous price reductions noted below on our superb stock of fine Overcoats. The sale will be brought to a close next week. Until then the following unprecedented values will be offered you. Your choice of any

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Is in full swing. These reductions are made for no other purpose than to make room for new goods now on the way. It is an opportunity to secure splendidly made furniture at little cost. Your inspection is solicited. Here are some of the prices.

Parlor Suites
3-Piece Suites, well upholstered in rich brocades:
1 Suite, $55 to...$ 45
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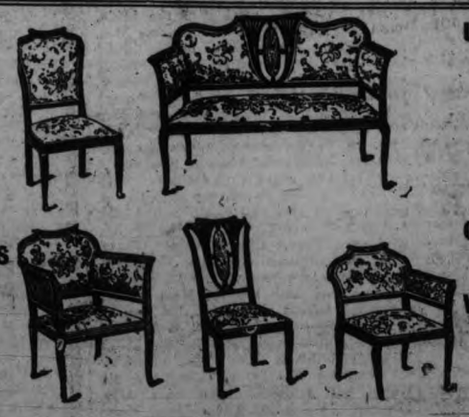

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A fine lot of upholstered Chairs, mahogany frames with brocade coverings:
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Handsome, in golden oak, fitted with drawers, etc.:
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We have a few patterns in Ladies' Dressing Tables in well-selected oak and are offering them at the following reduction:
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The Sale Will Continue During the Months of January & February

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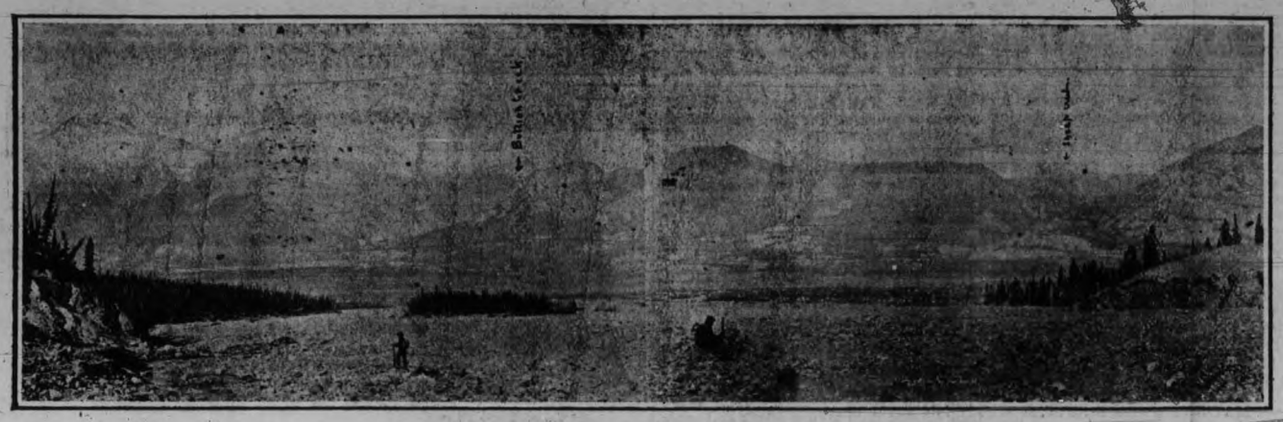
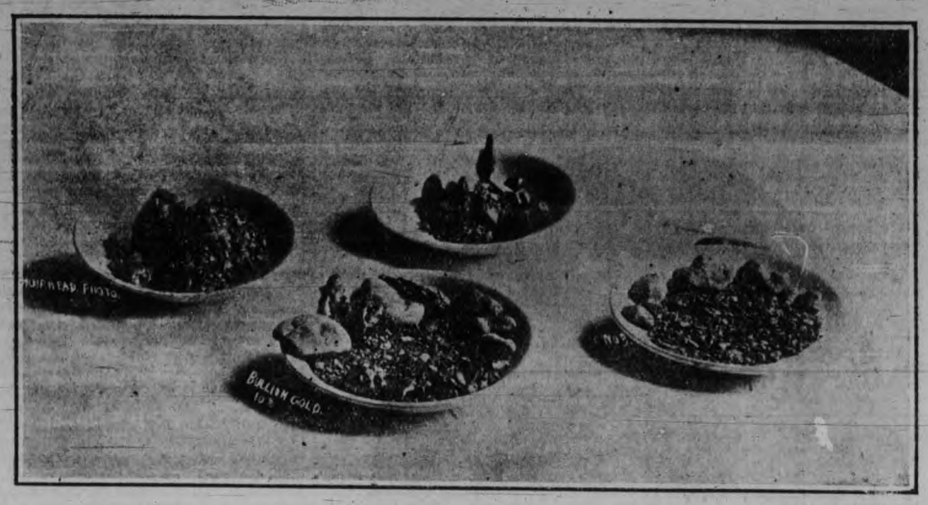
THE LATEST GOLD FIELD



PANORAMA—BULLION RANGE OF MOUNTAINS. L. P. Muirhead, Photo.



L. P. Muirhead, Photo.

TEN POUNDS OF COARSE GOLD FROM ONE PROPERTY ON BULLION CREEK.

L. P. Muirhead, who recently returned from the Alsek country in the recently created Kluane division, where he has been mining and doing assessment work on properties on Ruby and Bullion creeks, has a strong abiding faith in the future of this extensive northern district. He admits that the output of gold last year was not what might be called large, but this he attributes to the fact that the miners there own so many properties that they have been engaged mostly in assessment work. But the country as a gold producer is merely in its infancy, with many of its creeks not yet prospected. Last year there were between four hundred and five hundred miners, not counting the transient stampeders, in the district, and the prospects pointed to a much larger population next season. They have the advantage of a splendid government road to Bullion, about a hundred and ninety miles from White Horse. The exact location of the gold fields is due west by a little north from White Horse. The principal creeks are Burwash, which was stampeded last June, Bullion, Sheep, Ruby and Fourth of July.

The gold, Mr. Muirhead says, is of excellent quality, running from $17.25 to $18.26 per ounce. The largest piece of gold extracted was 8 ounces, 12 dwts., the discoverer being Mr. Macdonald, and the location, sixteen below on Bullion. The outlook for next season is very bright, and it is expected that the appliances which were utilized last year will be replaced by modern machinery. Mr. Breeze intends installing an hydraulic plant on Bullion, and other owners will leave no stone unturned in their search for the yellow treasure. But there is another feature of this Kluane country aside from its gold-bearing characteristics. This is its agricultural possibilities, which Mr. Muirhead describes as immense, the Kaskawulsh valley on the south side of the Marshall Range being particularly well adapted for this industry. It is fifty square miles or thereabouts in area and the climate is fine. Wild flax grows there, and it is said that where this is grown oats and rye will ripen. Hay was put up last season, one party having taken in a rake and mower for the purpose.

The Kluane mining district includes the Alsek, Bullion, Kuskawulsh, Burwash and other regions. Mr. Muirhead expects that the White Pass Company will operate a stage service from White Horse to these gold fields next year. They have a number of new waggons, while there are good road houses all the way along the route. He intends to return to his properties early in the spring.

L. P. Muirhead, Photo.

THIRTY-ONE ABOVE ON BULLION CREEK—ACTIVE OPERATIONS.

Granby Output.

The Granby smelter's output for the year shows 549,703 tons output for 1904. The Phoenix Pioneer speaks of it as follows:

"During the year 1904 the Granby mines shipped more than 40 per cent. more ore than in the previous year, the total being 393,718 tons for 1903 and 549,703 in 1904—both in dry tons. The following is the record of shipping by months for 1904: January, 50,940 tons; February, 49,110 tons; March, 51,300 tons; April, 42,870 tons; May, 46,950 tons; June, 49,199 tons; July, 44,380 tons; August, 42,030 tons; September, 48,000 tons; October, 40,605 tons; November, 45,089 tons; December, 49,230 tons. Total, 549,703 tons.

"Figured at $5 per ton, the value of this ore was $2,748,515.

"In the year 1904 there were 5,783 feet of crosscutting, drifting, raising and sinking done at the Granby mines—or over a mile—making a grand total of 26,844 feet of development work done in these mines, or over five miles. This does not include any of the work done in the immense ore quarries.

"In 1904 there were 3,148 feet of diamond drilling done at the Granby mines, or a total of 4,641 feet to date."

Year's Coal Production.

The output of coal from the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company for the year 1904 totalled 744,000 tons, the largest in the history of the company. The coke production also exceeded that of former years, amounting to 244,000 tons.

The tonnage by years has been as follows:

Year.	Coal.	Coke.
1904	$744,000	$244,000
1903	661,118	167,639
1902	441,336	180,777
1901	425,457	125,085
1900	220,458	64,496

In the year 1904 there were 581,000 tons of the output of coal consumed in Canada as compared with 498,166 tons in 1903. The coke consumed in Canada in 1904 was 138,000 tons, while in 1903 there were 136,649 tons used.

The exports of coal were practically the same for the two years. In 1904 it was 153,000 tons, and in 1903 there were 162,951 tons exported. In coke the past year marked a very large increase in exports, however. While in 1904 there were 106,000 tons exported, there were in 1903 only 31,089 tons.

On exhibition at Coventry, England, is a pile carpet 24x7½ feet, which was made in Lahore in 1634 for a director of the old East India Company. The beautiful coloring is still perfect.

VALE, EVANGELINE.

Still stands the forest primeval, but under British Columbia pines, on lone country roads, in city parks, and along the sandy stretches of the seashore no longer with out boys and girls will the gentle Evangeline wander. She, the erstwhile saint of our deepest devotion, is by rude hands pulled from her pedestal and sent back to the effete East, and none so poor to do her reverence.

Methinks I see the mournful procession hiking across the Rockies, Evangeline, the impossible Gabriel, Father Felician, Basil, the somewhat erascible blacksmith, the supernal notary bent like a laboring oar, and bringing up the rear the only jolly one of the lot, Michael, the fiddler, with his gay heart and waistcoat, who does so well to point a moral and adorn a zeugma.

Poor Evangeline, yours the lesson of a sycophant world. While you were "authorized" no hand brave enough to cast a stone, and now, as you lead that dishonored trek, every puny voice is full of criticism. One Vancouver pedagogue thinks you unpatriotic, another finds you martistic, and by a standing vote the whole convention declares you stale, flat and unprofitable.

Have these northern critics no souls? Will not the thought of breath, sweet as the breath of kine, stir their amorous breasts? Or is it that their Puritan principle shrinks at Evangeline as the pretty purveyor of tobacco and pipes and home-brewed ale, contrary to all the tenets of the chaste Pathfinder? Has no one a word of credence for the notary's compelling tales? Must, forsooth, his shocks of yellow hair be carried thus in sorrow to the grave with not one of those hundred grandchildren to put forth detaining hand?

Are the souls of our boys never more to be stirred by pallid sea, and silvery mist and tremulous tide? Is it possible that the department cannot know how enamored of moonbeams and mawkish sentiment live boys of the West are? Do they not writhe with pure joy when called upon to rise and spread themselves thereon?

No longer may we take our cheerful walks in churchyards or wander bleeding barefoot over the shards and thorns of existence, or sit under Wachita willows, cheered by the Fata Morgana.

All this melancholy madness to be denied us? May we not even lift the curtain of Limbo to coax from Gabriel the cunning scheme by which he managed through all those searching years to elude his tireless Nemesis?

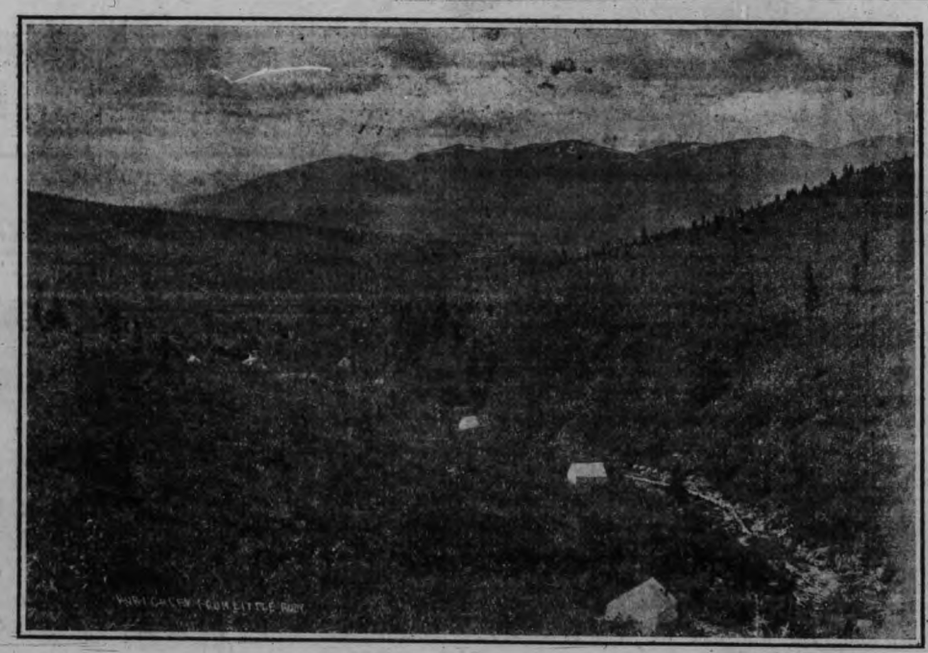
Did Henry Wadsworth, we wonder, ever dream that his love-tale would form a sort of clerical clothes-horse on which to hang "references" to the penitent Peter, and young Ishmael wandering with Hagar, and the tired old Prophet descending from Sinai, and shipwrecked Paul and the Prodigal hobnobbing with the Foolish Virgin, and Jacob's angels so strangely forgetful of the use of their wings?

Longfellow hadn't much saving sense of humor, but methinks even he from his diaphonous cloud must smile a smile to see his hasty tale taken so seriously that at the bidding of a "department" a whole British colony for a decade should learn to divide every proper name into syllables and scan each limping line, analyze the character of the impossible Gabriel, reproduce the notes of the mocking bird, and scientifically account for the red dew of the morning.

O, "Literature," many are the crimes that are committed in thy name!

But over the hills of the morning I see two more sad figures moving to join the ghostly crew—the gentle Elia and his beloved Bridget. Yes; Charles and Mary Lamb are also exiled. And here I drop a real tear; their message was ever kindly, and it rang true. We could easier have spared more modern saints, McLennen and Ames and the joyous Goggin.

CHIEF MOURNER.



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LOOKING DOWN RUBY CREEK FROM THIRTY-EIGHT ABOVE.

This creek produced between 4,000 and 5,000 ounces this last season. Assay value (Government) per ounce, $17.25.

A telegram announcing the murder of P. A. Latta, a Wells-Fargo messenger running between El Paso, Texas, and Mexico City, has been reported by the company's officials. The dead body of the messenger was discovered in his car. His death is believed to have been accomplished by robbers.

Some pianos are instruments of music, while others are instruments of torture.

MINING NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Within about eight miles of Ladysmith, at Haslam creek, the Wellington Colliery Company is developing a new coal mining camp. Work has been going on to some extent for several months, and a slope has been driven about 350 yards in the direction of the coal measures.

This mine will be near the railway connecting Ladysmith and Extension, being only about two miles from the latter coal mines. Coal has been known to exist there for a long time. It is practically the same as the Extension coal, and the works are being opened in order to supplement that supply.

Rossland's Prosperity.

A review of the Rossland mining for the year 1904 places that camp as the leader in point of payroll in Canada. It is also believed to be the largest on the American continent west of Butte. The Rossland Miner reviewing the year says:

"The amounts expended by the mines are divided into two headings, one embracing the sums distributed among the mine and mill workers and the other including the salaries paid to managers and office staffs. Following are the figures for the year: Le Roi, $306,591.36; Centre Star, $177,174.87; War Eagle, $133,042.14; Le Roi No. 2, $100,000; Spitzee, $20,400; Kootenay, $16,416.60; Jumbo (estimated), $30,000; Cliff (estimated), $12,000; Velvet-Portland, $18,526; I. X. L., $3,000; White Bear, $60,000; Iron Mask, $100; Rossland View, $250; Golden Rule, $250; Gold King, $4,000; Evening-Eureka, $6,000; Cariboo, $4,000; small mines, prospects and assessment work, $25,000. Total, $916,750.97. Mine salaries, estimated, $45,000.

"This would give a total sum disbursed in Rossland for labor and management of $961,750.97. This does not include the payroll of the Trail and Northport smelters, the Rossland Power Company, nor the wages paid by those who work for the railroad companies and are engaged in the transportation of the ore to the smelters. The working forces engaged in the several mines and mills have varied during the year, but an average of about 875 men engaged in and about the mines is a safe and conservative estimate of the number."

It is estimated that 342,325 tons of ore, valued at $4,400,012, were shipped and crushed at the Rossland mines during 1904. This is a little less than the year previous, but exceeds all other years in the history of the camp.

Skylark Bonded.

The Skylark Development Syndicate, consisting entirely of Phoenix men, has made the first payment of $3,000 on the $30,000 bond taken on the property recently. Within three months or less, three carloads of ore have been shipped, or about 52 tons, from which the smelter returns were $4,800, or an average of $93 per ton. Two of these cars were second and third class ore. Simultaneously with the making of the payment on the bond, those interested held a meeting and decided to proceed with the formation of a company with a capital stock of $250,000, to be known as the Skylark Development Co., Ltd. The company will take over the bond, and will have 24,000 shares in the treasury, the proceeds of which, as needed, will be used to equip the property with machinery, perform development work, etc. From the past, however, it seems that the ore shipments will go a long way towards taking care of the payments on the bond as they become due.

It has been decided to issue but 12,000 shares of treasury stock now at 50 cents each, and it is unofficially said that most of this has already been applied for. The par value of the shares will be $1 each. The head office of the Skylark will be located at Phoenix.

FIFTEEN ABOVE ON SHEEP CREEK. L. P. Muirhead, Photo.

This creek contains a natural deposit of coal, which is a great boon to the miners for sharpening their picks and for cooking. Assay value (Government) on gold from this creek, $18.05 per ounce.

THE FALL OF SEBASTOPOL.

The true history of the fall of Sebastopol is as strange as it is little known. A writer in T. A. T. describes how many famous fortresses have fallen. The following is the account of Sebastopol:

On September 8th, 1855, it will be remembered, the British stormed and occupied the Redan, but were forced to evacuate it owing to its being swept by the fire of the Russian guns on the inner fortifications.

That night a young officer of the 93rd Highlanders, Lieutenant and Adjutant McBean, found himself unable to sleep; so he wrapped himself in his great-coat, and strolled towards the enemy's lines. All seemed unusually quiet, and he could not disabuse his mind of the belief that the fortress was deserted.

Hurrying back, he told General Colin Campbell of his suspicions, and obtained leave to verify them. Two other officers and some twenty men volunteered to accompany him, and it was to this little band that belongs the honor of being the first to enter the great fortress which for the best part of a year had defied the combined armies of England, France and Turkey. And the strangest part of the whole strange business is that they entered it unopposed, and left it unharmed; the Russian garrison having silently withdrawn under cover of darkness, some hours previously.

Copper mining once flourished in Ireland. The Ballymurtagh mine, in Wicklow county, averaged 6,000 tons of copper pyrite per annum between 1840 and 1843. Desultory prospecting is going on at the present day in several localities.

Theatrical Gossip.

A minstrel show, a musical burlesque and a classic comedy constituted the variety that was offered at the Victoria theatre this week. Of the first, last Monday, it can safely be said that it greatly o'ershadowed the productions of alleged minstrelsy by any company bearing the name of West, since the able founder of the troup passed into the Great Unknown. But notwithstanding its merits the organization cannot possibly be classed with those which Lew Dockstader, Geo. Primrose, W. H. West, Al. Fields or Jack Haverly guided into popular favor. If there was a characteristic of their productions that shone with

FRANK FANNING,
Leading Man, Platt-Fanning Company.

exceptional luminance it was the elaboration with which they staged their presentations, and also the originality of their conception. When Lew Dockstader comes along with his merry aggregation of burnt cork exponents the audience can depend upon seeing an innovation of some sort. He also invariably presents a first-rate programme for the opening part which, after all, is the only link in a modern minstrel performance that connects it with its original identity. There is nothing more enjoyable than an excellent first part, and if artistic settings, good music and clever comedy features are its salient features, it does not matter so much about the specialties. The public can get all the specialty performances they want at vaudeville houses without paying a dollar for a seat.

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William and Walker, the two ebony comedians, delighted a large crowd in their musical caprice "In Dahomey" on Thursday night. The pair kept the audience in continual merriment, and after all that was all they had a right to expect. There was no reason, according to the press agent, why the playgoers should not be pleased. Their Majesties King Edward and Queen Alexandra are said to have hugely enjoyed the performance when the two comedians appeared before them at Buckingham Palace. In fact when Williams and Walker were privileged to play before royalty in their stately residence they ran across the finest streak of luck in the course of their career. The advertisement they received from this performance has made them almost immortal. All their press notices allude to this momentous occasion, their show bills represent them as throwing into convulsions their illustrious audience, while they are refreshingly described as the "Royal Comedians." One would think that in a country so democratic as the United States the advertisement gained from a performance before royalty wouldn't be worth a candle. But it is a significant fact that in spite of the prominence they have given the Buckingham Palace incident on their show bills they have enjoyed exceptional success from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It is a safe bet that the present fence advertisement, even beneath the expansive wings o[illegible] screaming eagle, is more potent by far than show bills would be representing the company performing before President Roosevelt and the distinguished members of the senate and the house of representatives.

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There is no finer comedy on the English stage than "The Rivals," which was presented by the Jefferson brothers at the Victoria theatre last evening. It was the product of the genius of Richard Brinsley Sheridan, the brilliant Irishman who composed two other masterpieces, "The School For Scandal" and "The Critic." The first and second of these plays have served as vehicles for many great artists, and the late Augustin Daly was always a great admirer of them. A criticism of the performance which took place last evening appears in another column of this paper. It is interesting to know that when "The Rivals" was first produced in 1775 it was a failure owing to the inferior acting of the part of Sir Lucius Trigger. On its repetition, however, it found that favor with the public which its wit and vivacity deserved, a favor it has retained to the present time.

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Richard Brinsley Sheridan, who wrote "The Rivals" was born in Dublin in 1751. He was educated at Harrow and took up the study of law. In 1780 he was returned to parliament. He was one of those chosen to take charge of the impeachment of Warren Hastings, and his opening speech on the articles committed to him was considered a masterpiece of eloquence. When he closed, the excitement was so great that no other speaker could obtain a hearing, and the House adjourned. Mr. Fox, long afterwards, pronounced it the best speech ever made in the House of Commons. Before twenty-four hours had passed Sheridan was offered a thousand pounds for the copyright of the speech if he, himself, would prepare it for the press. But this was never done, and there exists now only an inadequate report of the great effort. Extravagant living, enormous losses at the gaming table, and the burning of the Drury Lane theatre, of which he was part proprietor with Garrick, reduced him to pecuniary straits. He was enfeebled in health, harassed by creditors, imprisoned for debt, and bailiffs were, with difficulty, prevented from dragging him from his death bed to a sponging house. He died deserted by all but a few of his former friends and associates, but he was honored with a tomb in the Poet's Corner of Westminster Abbey. Besides the plays mentioned Sheridan produced "Pizarro," "The Stranger," "The Duenna," "St. Patrick's Day" or "The Scheming Lieutenant."

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The Redmond Company will close a very successful engagement here this evening, and on Monday they will be succeeded by the Platt-Fanning Company. This company will open at the Redmond theatre for an indefinite season. The company comes well recommended from Seattle, where they have been playing for the last six weeks. For the first half of the week the play will be the "Black Flag," an English melodrama teeming with comedy, sensational situations and pathos. The company carry their own scenic artist and a perfect scenic production is assured.

The second half of the week they will play Marie Wainwright's success, "Shall We Forgive Her?" It is described as a pleasant problem, and the scenes are laid in the wilds of Australia and England.

Among the members of the company are such well-known players as Frank Fanning, Sidney Platt, Russel Ried, William Mullen, Al. Newman, Theodore Joss, Charles Place, Rupert Drum, Molise Campion, Georgie Frances, Julia Chandler, Maybelle Place, and Jack Medland.

Among other plays that the Platt-Fanning Company will present here are "Siberia," "Monte Cristo," "Bottom of the Sea," "Man From Mexico" and "The Young Wife."

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In view of the approaching tour of the Pacific Northwest by Madame Melba, some of the Times readers may be interested in the following criticism of her voice which appeared in the New York Post on the occasion of her first appearance in the great metropolis in the role of "Lucia" in 1893:

"Mme. Melba is an excellent representative of the florid style. She does not make one forget any of her great predecessors, or quite equal several of them, but she gratified those who had paid to hear her, and there was great enthusiasm, especially after the wild explosion of runs, trills, and staccato rockets in the mad scene, which the prima donna managed with skill, although the last high notes were so loud and shrill as to make a sensitive tympanum ring disagreeably. The natural quality of her voice is mellow and pure, whereas her intonation is not always pure; it was at fault even in the sextet, which was otherwise indifferently sung, but was nevertheless redemanded, as was the mad scene. The range of Mme. Melba's voice is considerable, and she seems to have all parts of it under equal control, fluency and ease of execution being among her principal merits. A prolonged trill costs her no more effort than a sustained tone or a group of dainty staccati. What her voice chiefly lacks is warmth and variety of coloring; but such qualities the lovers of florid song do not appreciate as highly as skillful execution. Nor do they consider it a flaw that she does not enunciate distinctly, and never hesitates to sacrifice words to tones. Like Schopenhauer, they rather like the 'contemptuous indifference' with which Rossini, Donizetti, and their singers often treat the text. What they want is a vox et preterea nihil, and it does not diminish their pleasure to discover that as an actress Melba is awkward in gesture and generally unconvincing; the 'contemptuous indifference' extends to the action as well as the words. As long as the scales and trills are well sung, everything else is overlooked by them."

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Victorians will regret the announcement that J. H. Stoddart, the veteran character actor, will seek an early retirement from the stage. Since the death of Mrs. Gilbert and the permanent retirement of Joseph Jefferson, Mr. Stoddart is easily the veteran of the present drama. He has been on the stage for exactly seventy years, and during that time has played a list of parts that will stretch out into almost endless space were they enumerated. Beginning as a boy in England, Mr. Stoddart received his early training in that country, and came to America in 1854, where he has since been a conspicuous figure on the stage. When he landed in New York there were but two theatres there of prominence—Burton's playhouse on Chambers street, and Wallack's theatre at the corner of Broadway and Broome street, where Mr. Stoddart made his first appearance. He was long identified with the Wallack productions, and afterward supported Laura Keene and other prominent stars of that day. From there he went to A. M. Palmer's great company, being the principal character actor of that organization for many years. Mr. Stoddart will appear in the near future at the Victoria theatre in "The Bonnie Briar Bush."

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The London Bioscope Company's entertainment which, under the title of "Living Canada," has met with such extraordinary success in this country, pays a return visit to the Victoria theatre, commencing on Wednesday, 18th inst., for four performances, and in addition to an entirely new series of Canadian views, will be included a number of subjects of a novel and startling nature. They are not fancy pictures, but are all taken from life, and are of the same high class order as those which made such a splendid reputation here last season. But there is something new this time—an intensely interesting departure in this class of entertainment. It consists of a collection of animated views, showing every phase of the lifeboat service from the first cry to "man the lifeboat" to the final scenes of resuscitation and rescue and return to land. "A balloon tragedy in mid-air"—a ride on top of the Imperial Limited; "Gulliver's Travels"; "Driven from Home"; the great London pantomine, "Sleeping Beauty," in colors, etc., will be features.

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The Savoy, the popular-priced home of vaudeville and burlesque, has had packed houses nightly this week at every performance. The opening play was the

MOLISE CAMPION,
Leading Lady, Platt-Fanning Company.

sensational comedy drama, "The Rag Picker's Child." It is arranged in five acts, and is interspersed with many comedy and spectacular features. The stock company, under the direction of Bob Hewlette, took care of the dramatic portion. Minnie Adams, Mae Mulqueen and Hazel Clark were the favorites. Bob Hewlette and Sam Owens in the comedy roles were able seconds for public favor. Jack Cragg, Pat Haslam and James McCabe met with hearty approval. The many vaudeville acts were much enjoyed. The dancing of Owens and La Marr was very clever. Illustrated songs by Mae Mulqueen were beautiful and well rendered. Minnie Adams, in operatic gems, was also popular. Mlle. Laurendeau was a feature. The Clark sisters were compelled to respond to several encores. Genevieve De Forrest in high class ballads, although suffering from a severe cold, met with favor, and Anita De Shoutz, in rag-time melodies, were recalled again and again. The musical numbers between the act by Prof. M. Nagel and his efficient orchestra met with much praise.

For next week the management return to merry burlesque, the opening number being one of Bob Hewlette's merry musical burlettas, entitled "A Skull Fur Swandul," with the entire company in the cast. Several changes have been made in the Savoy stock company, and the new members will appear to advantage. Many new vaudeville features are mentioned, notably the St. Clair sisters, singing comediennes, and Mamie Lawrence, the Colorado nightingale. The acts that are re-engaged will be seen in an entire change of specialties. There is no better place for one to enjoy three hours of continuous amusement than by paying a visit to the Savoy. Popular prices always prevail.

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Creatore, the picturesque, the long-haired, wild-eyed genius of the baton, and his band will appear at the Victoria theatre before very long. His musical aggregation is evidently as strong as ever, according to the following from a Boston paper:

"Creatore's band, with Mme. Barili, soprano, and Sig. C. Sodero, harpist, as soloists, scored a great artistic triumph in Symphony hall last evening, a representative Boston audience giving encore after encore, the final number, a selection from 'Carmen,' being followed by a remarkable demonstration, the occupants of the orchestra seats vieing with the leader's compatriots in the balcony in cheering and crying of 'brava'; indeed, the richly dressed women waving handkerchiefs and calling for Creatore was ample evidence that cold though a Boston audience may be, it can be thawed out. The feature of the programme was Berlioz's 'Damnation of Faust,' in eight numbers, including the Easter hymn, the ballet of the sylphs, Mephistophele's invocation, serenade of Mephistophele's Marguerite and Faust; the ride to Hades and pandemonium. Of the feature, the star hit was as those who have seen Creatore might readily guess, the last—Pandemonium. The mercurial leader fairly reveling in it, and as much might be said of his men and his audience."

MADE O'BRIEN'S SUIT.

A tailor named Guilding died in Dublin the other day. It was he who made the suit of clothes for Wm. O'Brien when O'Brien was in Eullamore jail. O'Brien refused to wear a prison suit and remained unclothed in his cell for several days. One morning his keepers were surprised to find him wearing a suit of tweed. It cost $750 to get the suit to him, however.

STORY OF SEDAN.

Perhaps the most dramatic, as it certainly was the most piteous capitulation recorded in the annals of war, according to T. A. T., was that of Sedan. It was the afternoon of the terrible 1st of September, 1870. The eight hundred siege guns of the four German investing armies were pouring on the doomed city a perfect hail of projectiles, and Napoleon realized that the end had come.

"Show the white flag," he ordered.

But then came the difficulty. There was no white flag handy.

"Get a sheet, then," exclaimed the Emperor, in despair; "anything to stop those terrible cannon."

Another delay, and an orderly came to say that there was not even a sheet to be had. They had been all torn up for bandages for the wounded.

Napoleon made a gesture of impatience, glanced round the room, and his eyes fell on the table cloth off which he had been dining.

"Here, take this," he cried, whisking it from the table with his own hands and giving it to the officer.

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News of Deck and Dockyard

When H. M. S. Grafton left Esquimalt for England on the 5th of last November, it was stated that an effort would be made to establish a steaming record on the homeward run. Her officers had calculated on reaching their destination by Christmas, if good weather favored them, and that their reckoning was correct may be judged from the fact that the vessel completed her voyage on Christmas Eve in good time for those aboard to spend next day with their families at home. The run is one of the longest for speed trials ever taken, and the performance will place the Grafton on record as among the useful ships of the British navy. She has demonstrated to the admiralty what can be done in the way of speed if it ever becomes necessary to dispatch a fleet to this coast. The Grafton met no terribly severe weather. At the same time smooth seas were not always experienced. Off Cape Flattery, shortly after leaving the Straits, she ran into a gale, which tore away some of her upper works, but through all she ploughed, never slackening speed.

En route, several stops had to be made, one being at Stanley, Falkland Islands, where she remained long enough to take on 700 tons of coal, which had been discharged there by the British ship Sofala. This was a vessel that was bound from Cardiff to Esquimalt with a cargo of coal. She had to put into that port to make repairs to damages which had been sustained on the voyage. She had been badly injured. Her cargo shifted, her deck sprung a leak and other damage was sustained, which it was thought would detain her at least two months for repairs. In consequence it was believed that all the cargo would be landed at Stanley, and this seems now to be just what was done.

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Aboard the Egeria there is some uncertainty as to the programme for the coming year. It is not known whether the survey ship will be retained on the coast to finish the work she has so well advanced, namely, the re-surveying of the British Columbia coast, or whether she will return to England, leaving the important undertaking to be carried out by the Dominion authorities.

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Recent events would seem to put beyond doubt the reduction of the Esquimalt naval station. Stores which had been held in reserve have been shipped to Hongkong during the week; the Bonaventure has received orders to proceed thither soon after the arrival of a new captain from England, and last of all comes the news that even the range equipment at Comox is to be shipped away. For this the Shearwater was dispatched a week or so ago, and before what is now written appears in print the ship will probably be back in Esquimalt with the gear on board.

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It is impossible oftentimes to give more than mere conjecture on the plans of the naval authorities, as nothing is known in a season like the present until specific orders are received. Just now Esquimalt's fate has not entirely been settled in the minds of many. There is a strong conviction that the great outlay expended in equipping and bringing the station up-to-date will not prove wholly in vain. The sloop-of-war Shearwater will be left, it is believed, to look after the patrol work in Behring Sea and other interests on the station. But the headquarters of the Pacific fleet it would appear beyond all question has been transferred to Hongkong. This being the case it is hardly likely that a fleet will be detached from the China squadron and sent four thousand miles across the Pacific many times for the mere purpose of paying Esquimalt a visit, notwithstanding that weather conditions, hunting and the many other enjoyments which have popularized the station would be a great temptation.

However obvious this may be, there remains the fact, the naval hospital has not been closed, and that the dockyard while relieved of many of its reserve guns and much of its equipment retains all its principal offices, indicating that the admiralty is either desirous of first testing the efficiency of its new naval programme or is calculating on flying squadrons visiting this coast.

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As long ago as August, 1903, Archibald Hurd urged the disestablishment of the Pacific and North American squadrons—objects included in the admiralty's proposals—and that no additions should be made to the regulars. In an article in April, 1904, entitled, "Naval Concentration—and a Moral," Mr. Hurd urged the recall of ships too weak to fight and too slow to run away, reiterated the arguments in favor of abandoning the Pacific and North American squadrons, claimed that the reserves should be reorganized, and suggested that flying squadrons of armored cruisers should be organized for training in cruiser tactics and advantage taken of the climate of the Atlantic and West Indies for training purposes.

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The Flora, cruiser, Capt. C. J. Baker, which arrived at Devonport recently from the Pacific, will be paid off on January 16th, and be recommissioned on the following day with a nucleus crew.

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The Love of Marcel Poupard

STORY OF A FRENCH CANADIAN ROMANCE.

Marcel Poupard was the last young man in all northern Michigan whom any one would have expected to fall in love where he had no right. His good old mother and Pere Rapin had taught him too well for that. It was all an unhappy accident, and Marcel was not at fault, as every one must admit when the story is told.

Marcel had gone over to the lake that summer to act as guide. He knew the trout brooks back of the north shore, and had a keen eye for the weed beds where the bass and muskallonge were to be found in the lake itself. Old Pierre, who kept a little hotel for the few tourists who strayed that far aside from the Duluth road, would give him good wages for every day he was employed, and he was weary of the monotony of lumbering, any way. So, as soon as Pierre sent word to him that the tourists had begun to arrive, he packed up his little bundle of clothing, kissed the dear old widowed mother good-by, and with light heart and tireless foot walked the twenty miles from his home cabin to the lake.

It did not take Marcel long to establish his reputation as the best guide on the lake. It was all luck, according to the other guides, but the clear head, the strong arm at the oar, and the lack of all taint of laziness in his makeup, may have had something to do with the fact that the best catch soon developed a persistent habit of coming to the man or woman who sat in his boat. If a broken rod had to be mended, a snarled line untangled, a balky reel brought to terms, or a toothsome pan of fish fried under the trees by the shore, no one else could do the work quite so neatly, good-naturedly, and successfully as Marcel Poupard.

But it was just these good qualities, curiously enough, that brought poor Marcel into such sore trouble. If he had been no better or more attractive than the rest of the half-dozen guides whom old Pierre had gathered around him for the season, he would have gone on all summer guiding a day or two at a time first for one party and then for another, and the chances are that he would never have remembered, when the season was over, that the lovely lady from Detroit had been at the lake at all.

It was near the end of July when old Pierre's wagon, which went every day to the railway station, ten miles distant over the jolting corduroy roads through the cedar swamps, came back one evening laden with four nicely dressed, jolly young women. They had heard of the Lake of St. Ignace from a young college instructor who had been there two weeks before for a few days' trout fishing, and they had come up to see if it really was so ideal a summer resting place as he had described. The little log hotel was quite full already, and it was a new experience to Pierre to be asked to find accommodations for four city ladies all at one time. But they could not get away that night, in any event; so Pierre shifted his guides from the boathouse loft to the haymow and his own daughters to the boathouse loft, and so opened up rooms for the ladies which they protested were amply satisfactory.

By noon the next day they had taken a row in two of the boats which happened to be idle, had feasted on red raspberries by the roadside, had plunged into the forest and returned loaded with mosses and ferns, had cooled their bared feet in the ripples which washed in upon a clean stretch of sand near the hotel, and were unanimous in the opinion that the college instructor had not told them even the half. If they would send down to St. Ignace and get a big tent, would Pierre set it up for them on that grassy knoll beyond the boathouse and let them stay there until September, cooking their own dinners and taking breakfast and supper at the hotel?

Of course Pierre would do anything they asked, and be happy to serve them, and so it was but three days until the tent arrived from St. Ignace and was duly set up. And now had Pierre some trustworthy guide to take them out fishing whenever they wanted to go, gather fuel for their evening campfires, help get their dinners, bring water from that delicious cold spring across the arm of the lake, go with them on tramps through the dense woods where they were afraid to go alone, and sleep up in the nearest corner of the boathouse with his gun, that they might have protection near at hand if any dangerous wild animals really should come around their tent in the dark? Certainly Pierre had just such a man, and of course it was none other than Marcel Poupard. And so in spite of the grumbling of three or four old anglers who were waiting their turn for a day in the lucky boat, and who couldn't see what women wanted in such a place anyhow, Marcel's exclusive services were at once engaged until the 1st of September, the engagement to date from sunrise the next morning, when the ladies wished to start for a five-mile tramp before breakfast.

Marcel was shy at first, for his associations with women had been only among the home families of his own class, but these city ladies put on no fine airs to disconcert him, and were very gracious in their sincere thankfulness for the polite and satisfactory way in which his day's work was always done. They thanked him one and all for the neatness with which their fish were dressed, the crisp brown coat that was on their potatoes when pulled from the campfire ashes, the softness and fragrance of their beds of evergreen boughs, and the excellent condition in which their boat was kept; but from the very beginning Marcel noted a marked difference. Three of them took no particular notice of him aside from his services duly rendered in conscientious fulfilment of his contract; but the one with the wavy brown hair, the soft, deep eyes, the lithe body, and the gentle yet vivacious voice—Marie, the others called her—she found in Marcel's knowledge of the wild things about her a mine of rich treasure which she was always eager to explore, and it was of course a delightful experience to him to be looked up to as a teacher by one so wise and beautiful as she.

It was she alone who had the energy and inclination to climb the sand dunes with Marcel for the wintergreen leaves which they wanted to put in their aromatic pillows; it was she alone who toiled with him up the steep cliff to get a look into an eagle's nest, while the other three sat on a log below and talked of the news from home; it was she who had the grit when a muskallonge took her hook to cling to the rod and follow his directions coolly until the fish was brought exhausted to the side of the boat; and it was she who begged the privilege of drifting noiselessly with him in the boat at night and listening to the wild deer browsing among the reeds by the shore.

Nor was she content to accept Marcel's store of information without return. She told him much about the great city, from which his own dear old mother had come as a mere girl to be the wife of the sturdy young lumberman, Edmond Poupard; she listened with real interest to his poor attempts to draw music from the old violin which had passed to him, a little boy, when Edmond went under the rushing water in breaking a log jam and never came up again, and she showed him where his playing was wrong, and whistled the tunes over softly to him until he could get them straight; she read beautiful stories of the North Country to him, written by one who loved the woodsmen of the North and understood them; and when she found that Marcel was a devoted Catholic she told him old stories of the Middle Ages, so quaint and wonderful that Marcel treasured them all up to tell to his mother when he should go home again.

And so the month of August slipped quickly and pleasantly by. Marcel was sorry to see the tent taken down, but he did not yet realize that he was anything more than sorry. He himself drove the wagon over the ten miles of corduroy to the station, handed the satchels to the porter when the train for the south pulled in, shook hands in a dazed sort of way with the four young ladies, Marie last of all, and watched the receding train until it passed around a distant curve and was lost to his view. And then for the first time Marcel Poupard, whose fresh heart had never before felt the impression of a fair woman's charms, realized that he was filled with a surging, overpowering love for the beautiful woman whom that train had borne away, perhaps never to be seen by him with mortal eyes again.

Marcel drove old Pierre's horses slowly back to the lake, put them in the stable, made some trivial excuse for eating no supper, and sat sleepless and alone all night long on the plot of grass where the tent that had sheltered the loved one had stood. The next morning he was wanted as guide for an angler from New York. He accepted the task, as a matter of course, but from the very start everything went awry. He nearly upset the angler into the water in pushing his boat from the shore, he upset the lunch basket in the bottom of the boat, he lost an important screw in adjusting an expensive new reel, he trod on the tip of a fine rod, he managed the boat awkwardly whenever the angler had a strike, and to crown it all he allowed a fine muskallonge to escape after it had been brought exhausted to the side of the boat. At 3 o'clock they came in again, the New Yorker empty-handed and angry, Marcel down-hearted and silent. The next day's experience was not materially better, nor yet the next. Marcel's much-lauded luck was gone, and the rest of the guides made no attempt to conceal their satisfaction. They were all getting fine catches, as was natural in the crisp, bright, and breezy weather of approaching autumn. And so on the fourth day nobody wanted Marcel, and his boat lay on the shore idle. The ignominy was too great. Marcel settled up his accounts with old Pierre, bundled up his belongings, doubly wrapping, with loving care, the books and pictures which the lovely Marie had given him, and trudged gloomily back through the forest to his old mother.

There were no secrets between Marcel and Angelique, his mother. Into her tenderly sympathetic ears he poured the story of his apparently hopeless love, and their tears flowed long together before they sought their beds. For five nights Marcel had scarcely closed his eyes, and now he slept the sleep of complete exhaustion until the sun was high over the treetops beyond Angelique's little garden. Angelique had not slept, but she had thought. After Marcel had finished the breakfast which her loving hands had prepared, she rose from her seat and came and stood by his shoulder. Her trembling fingers pressed the coal-black locks upon his forehead, and a voice just on the verge of tears fell sweetly upon his ear from those dear old lips:

"Courage, Marcel! You shall have her yet, the beautiful lady."

"But how can it be, mother? She is so far away, and she is rich; she must have the fine house and the fine clothes, and the money comes not to us here in the woods."

"But you shall go to Detroit, Marcel. You are young and strong; you have the clear eyes and the brave heart. The man who owns the great saw mill, over by the river, lives in Detroit. Pere Rapin shall speak to him for you and he will take you down to Detroit on one of his boats and get work for you to do. You will save your money, and after awhile you will have a store, as my uncle did when I was a little girl. Then you will find the beautiful Marie and she will be your bride, Marcel."

"But how can I leave you, mother? It would not be right."

"I have thought of that, Marcel, and I have a way. I will go and live with Julie Carnot and help her cook for the men at the mill; and when you are married, Marcel"—a hot tear dropped on his forehead—"when you are married perhaps you will send for me and I will cook for the dear Marie, and if the good God sends the little children into your home I can mend their clothes and rock them to sleep. Oh Marcel, my Marcel"—the tears came in streams and her wrinkled cheek pressed hard against his—"you surely will not forget your poor old mother when the great happiness comes into your heart. Since the river took the dear father from me my life has been all for you."

No lapse of filial duty was possible with Marcel. He sprang from his chair, took her trembling form into his stalwart arms and showering the tenderest of kisses upon her withered face, where even yet the traces of the beauty of youth could be discerned, he protested his eternal faithfulness to her, and called Heaven's blessings upon her for the hope which she had put into his heart. What was impossible to youth and strength fired with such a love as his?

That very day they went together to Father Rapin, and the kind Father, whose heart beat very tenderly towards Marcel because of the lingering memory of a love that had long ago crept into his own life, went at once to the rich lumberman and presented his request. Before the sun had set it was agreed that Marcel should take passage on the next lumber boat to Detroit, with a letter which would insure him a good position in the lumber yards, where he would get such wages as he had never dreamed of before, and a chance for still better positions if his work was well done.

So the old cabin was abandoned, and Angelique went to live with Julie, and one bright October morning Marcel boarded the lumber boat at St. Ignace, went slowly past the White Island and out into the broad expanse of Lake Huron, where the shores that he had left, in search of what seemed to him the supreme happiness and good fortune, faded gradually from his view.

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Marcel had been five weeks in Detroit. Father Rapin had given him a letter to a good old priest who found him a cheap lodging place in an honest family of his own French-Canadian stock. A light heart made light work, and the secret hope in his breast was as yet too new and sweet to admit of any doubt as to the outcome. So he worked with a cheerful energy which made his superiors open their eyes in wonder, and secured him a promotion at the end of the first month. Under such circumstances the busy insistence of the city was a healthful tonic, and not a weariness to his soul. The pitfalls that caught so many other inexperienced feet did not exist for his. His life was above and beyond all that, and it could not get its stain upon him even though he might wade to his shoulders through it. Success was sure even now to his enlightened vision, and with the visible demonstration that he could provide for her wants and make her happy, he felt no fear that the idol of his heart could refuse the offer of his hand.

It was a bright, cold morning early in December. Marcel was off for a holiday, at the voluntary suggestion of his employers, who were so pleased with his fresh enthusiasm for his work that they could hardly do him favors enough. He had strolled into the heart of the city and was gazing into the widow of a jewellery store on Woodward avenue. How lovely that chain of coral would look around Marie's fair neck! He would take it to her when first he went to make his presence known and offer her his love.

Just then he felt a strange thrill run through him, and a lady warmly wrapped in elegant furs brushed past him and went on into the store, closely followed by a little girl, apparently four or five years old. The carriage from which they had alighted stood waiting at the curb.

"Look, Mamma, look!" called the little one, as some piece of jewelry caught her eager eye.

"Yes, daughter, what is it?" a soft but cheery voice answered, as the lady turned about and brought her face into Marcel's view. It was none other than the beautiful Marie!

Mrs. Marie Saunderson took her child by the hand and passed on into the store. She did not see Marcel and she would scarcely have known him there if she had. No one told her that a stranger had fallen in a swoon on the sidewalk as she entered, and had been carried into a neighboring drug store. And so she made her purchases and went home, entirely unconscious that she had been once again in contact with the interesting young woodsman of her summer holiday, and that this chance moment of contact had darkened his life past all remedy. If she had known all this she would have shed tears of bitter regret, for Mrs. Saunderson was just as kind and lovely at heart as she had seemed to poor Marcel. It was a mere whim of four old college classmates that they should demean themselves as unmarried women in that out-of-the-way place, where it did not occur to them that the prank could result in any harm. If she had once suspected that her genuine interest in Marcel Poupard might arouse the passion of love in his heart, she would have been swift to avert the danger. And so it was well that she never knew of the heavy stroke that fell upon Marcel that bright winter morning.

A half hour later Marcel was sufficiently revived to assure the druggist that he could make his way home without assistance. But he went first to the lumber docks and arranged for passage to St. Ignace on a freighter, which was to leave that evening. If he had inquired for his mail he would have found a letter telling of the failing health of his mother, and that would have given a plausible excuse to his employers for action which seemed to them entirely unaccountable; but Marcel rarely received any mail, and he had no thought for anything of the kind now. He must get back into the forest and pour out his disappointment on his dear old mother's breast, or he felt that he would die. There was nothing of the weakling in Marcel's nature, but his life had not been lived under such social conditions as would make a wound of this sort a thing to be passed over lightly.

It was a bleak and bitter day in the straits when the freighter on which he had taken passage buffeted its way through the waves rolling in from Lake Michigan and passed into the quieter water around the point near St. Ignace. But bitterer than that biting wind was the bitterness that chilled Marcel's aching heart. Why not drop quietly over the guard rail and end it all, then and there? The thought was sweet to him for the moment, but with a sudden start he drew himself back. What of the lonely old mother up there in the forest, when no letter came, month after month? She would think that he had proved false to his promises, had married the beautiful lady, and was too proud to send for the poor old Angelique, with her wrinkles and shabby clothes. The truth would hurt her badly enough, but that would hurt still worse. No, he must go on home, and tell her the bitter truth.

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ANIMALS ON THE SEA.

A French scientists has made many interesting observations on the behavior of wild animals aboard ship, says the American Inventor. Those species whom one should naturally think would not object to a sea voyage are the most restless. The polar bear, he says, is the only one that takes to the sea, and is quite jolly when aboard ship. All others violently resent a trip on water and vociferously give vent to their feeling until seasickness brings silence. The tiger suffers most of all. He whines pitifully, his eyes water continually and he rubs his stomach with his terrible paws. Horses are very bad sailors, and often perish on a sea voyage. Oxen are heroic in their attempts not to give way to sickness. Elephants do not like the sea, but they are amenable to medical treatment. A good remedy is a bucketful of hot water containing three and a half pints of whiskey and seven ounces of quinine.

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Tenders will be received by the Department of Inland Revenue until February 1st, 1905, from parties desirous of entering into a three years' contract for the supply of Wood Naphtha to be used in the manufacture of Methylated Spirits.

Each tender must state the price per standard gallon of a strength not less than 67 Over Proof by Sykes's Hydrometer and of a quality to be approved by the Department.

Each tender must have marked on the envelope "Tender for Wood Naphtha," and must be addressed to the Deputy Minister of Inland Revenue.

By order,
WM. HIMSWORTH,
Secretary.

Inland Revenue Department,
Ottawa, 20th December, 1904.

REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA, CHAPTER 92.

Notice is hereby given that one month after date application will be made to the Governor-General in Council for approval of the plan and site of a wharf and sawmill to be erected by William Moore and Ernest W. Whittington on and opposite Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, in Block B, Work Estate, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia.

A plan of the site with description thereof has been deposited with the Department of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate of each has been deposited in the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1904, at Victoria, British Columbia.

WOOTTON & GOWARD,
Bank of Montreal Chambers,
Victoria, British Columbia,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next session of the Legislature of British Columbia for an Act incorporating the British Canadian Fire Insurance Company, Limited, to carry on the business of Fire Insurance and to do all things appertaining thereto or connected therewith.

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SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quarts.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of $7.50 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a Royalty of 2½ per cent. of the sales of the products of the location.

Placer Mining.—Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee, $5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims are either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental, $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100 per mile for first year and $10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days, if the claim is within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, $10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of $2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least $200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notice in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected an area of 1,920 acres for such period as he may decide, the length of which shall not exceed three times the breadth. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well, will be sold to the prospector at the rate of $1 an acre, and the remainder of the tract reserved, namely, 1,280 acres, will be sold at the rate of $3 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by Order in Council.

JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
Dept. Interior.

Land Registry Act.

In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to Sub-Division No. 10 of Lot 121 A., Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above land, issued to Ellen Carroll on the 13th day of May, 1895, and numbered 1353.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 13th day of December, A. D., 1904.

NOTICE.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway Land Grant.

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Children's Corner

Red Riding Hood.

CHARACTERS.

Prologue. (Can be taken by boy or girl.)
Dame Trot.
Red Riding-Hood (her daughter.)
The Wolf.
Two Woodcutters.

Scene.—Anywhere in the country.

ACT 1.

Prologue.

"Red Riding-Hood!" I hear my listeners say,
"It's somewhat stale as subject for a play."
But give us just a hearing do, and wait:
"Red Riding-Hood" is this time up to date.
Once more you'll thrill to hear the oft-told tale,
And to applaud our actors will not fail;
They'll do their best your suffrages to win,
So ring the curtain up, and let's begin!

Scene.—Kitchen. Enter Dame Trot and Red Riding-Hood.

Dame Trot.—Now, come my child, it's time you went to school,
The inspector's vexed if once we break the rule;
You know we can't afford to pay the fine.
Red Riding-Hood.—Oh, have no fear of that, dear mother mine,
I'll learn my natural history lesson, too.
(As'de.) I'd like to see the beasts within the Zoo!
Dame Trot.—Just leave these at your granny's humble cot,
New rolls, quite indigestible, but hot,
And careful be that you upon the way
Don't loiter, or to talk to strangers stay.
(She packs rolls in a basket, gives it to Red Riding-Hood, who kisses her mother and goes out.)

Curtain.

ACT II.

Scene.—A Wood. On one side a board with the words, "Trespassers will be prosecuted. Children and Wolves not aljowed."

Enter Red Riding-Hood reading aloud from a school book:

Red Riding-Hood.—"Well, now we come to wolves: their instincts wild
Are known of course to every studious child"—
(Breaks off suddenly and looks fearfully round her)
I thought I heard a growling in the glade?
Wolf enters from R. of Stage, comes up to her, and puts out a paw.
Wolf.—"Where are you going to, my pretty maid?"
(Aside) Is that line right? I'm quoting from the song—
Oh, dear! I hope I haven't got it wrong—
Red Riding-Hood.—But singing's not in your line, (looking at book) surely howls—
My natural history book suggests—or growls.
Besides, your proper place is in the Zoo—
You look so grim and "nibblish"—go back, do!
Wolf.—Remember, child, now higher education
Is ours, I cease to ply my old vocation.
Red Riding-Hood.—Oh, dear! Oh, dear! I'm trembling with sheer fright—
Wolf.—You silly goose, my bark's worse than my bite,
You needn't think my tastes are really gory,
Though I admit our name is bad in story.
Besides, your natural history at first hand
You study may, while I beside you stand.
(Red Riding-Hood screams. Enter Two Woodcutters; they have "London County Council" marked in large letters on their coats.)
Woodcutters.—What ho! A trespasser! We'll prosecute!
Here is a good excuse for a law-suit.
(To Wolf.) Look at that board put by the "L. C. C."
"Wolves will be prosecuted"; don't you see?
And you, Red Riding-Hood, you'd best be gone,
Or you into the county court we'll run.
(They brandish their axes.)
Wolf.—Make your minds easy quite, I beg you, Sirs,
I stand in awe of County Councillors:
Ta-ta, Red Riding-Hood. (Aside) They daren't touch me,
For "Cruelty to animals" 'twould be.
Red Riding-Hood.—And I the County Council must obey,
So now no more I'll loiter on my way.

Curtain.

ACT. III.

Scene.—The Grandmother's cottage. The Wolf in bed, with the old lady's cap and spectacles on, looks at door.

Wolf.—She'll soon be here now, so I'll play my trick,
Pretend I'm granny, that I'm very sick.
I know I gave the poor old soul a fright,
Silly old lady, and it served her right.
A friendly beast that meant no mortal harm,
I put my paw into her trembling palm.
But no, she wouldn't with a wolf be friends,
And ran away: I couldn't make amends.
Dear me, I thought I heard the electric bell,
(An electric bell rings.)
And someone at the speaking tube as well!
(Puts his ear to speaking tube at side of bed.)
Wolf (through the tube).—May you come up to see your granny?—yes!
But wipe your boots, or else they'll make a mess.
(A pause, during which the Wolf adjusts his cap and spectacles.)
Red Riding-Hood.—May I come up to see you, Granny dear?
Wolf.—Why, yes, indeed, there's nothing, child, to fear!
Red Riding-Hood.—But, Grandmother, your voice sounds very hoarse;
Wolf.—Does it, my dear? Why, it's the "Flu," of course.
(Aside.) A lucky thought! (Aloud.) Dear child, what have you there?
(Aside.) I feel so nibblish in this frosty air.
Red Riding-Hood (coming nearer).—Why, Granny, you have altered, it's quite plain!
Wolf.—Don't trust appearances, they're always vain.
Red Riding-Hood.—And your false teeth, so large they look and white.
Wolf.—Don't be so sure they're false, for they can bite.
So let me taste your home-made bread and butter.
Red Riding-Hood.—Oh, dear! oh, dear! my heart is in a flutter. (Runs to window.)
Help, Woodcutters! Of course, my whistle clear
Not only cabs will call, but succor near.
(Blows cab-whistle loudly.)
Woodcutters (running in).—A hansom or four wheeler?
Red Riding-Hood (with dignity).—Neither. See (pointing to Wolf)—
Arrest the culprit promptly.
First Woodcutter.—Don't ask me.
Our axes are but sham ones—for the play—
(I'd rather live to fight another day.)
Second Woodcutter.—Well, I won't tackle him, I vow, alone.
Wolf.—I'll save the trouble then, for I'll begone.
Red Riding-Hood has not got any nerves;
So after all, my joke no purpose serves.
(With plaintive tone.) Once I struck terror in the good old times,
And all I'm good for now is "Nursery Rhymes."
(To the Woodcutters.)—And you, I see, are anxious not to kill
A harmless wolf who has done you no ill.
(To Red Riding-Hood)—Farewell, Red Riding-Hood, forgive me, pray,
And better I'll behave another day,
And tell your grandmother I'm sorry quite,
I gave her, poor old lady, such a fright.
We'll meet again some day, perhaps, for you
Will look me up, when able, at the Zoo.
Meantime, I've left my motor-car below.
(Aside) I'll soon be out of this (Goes to window). (Aloud) What, Chauffeur, ho!
(Wolf disappears out of window.)
Red Riding-Hood.—Why, I declare he's safely reached the ground,
And waiting there his motor-car has found,
And Granny's step I hear upon the stair,
(To audience) And now you've had the play entire, so there!

THE NICEST KIND OF MAN.

When I was but a tiny chap,
He used to take me on his lap
And tell me lots of stories, all
About King Cole and Dumpy's fall,
And blackbirds baked up in a pie,
And other ones I 'most forget.
He was the nicest man, and I
Can hear him tell his stories yet.

He was a friend to all the boys;
Say, goodness me! what pretty toys
He'd whittle out of shingles, too,
With that sharp jackknife; honest, you
Could never find a man so nice
As he; he'd sit for hours, and
Tell stories, nod his head so wise;—
He must have come from fairyland.

Our folks all liked him, ev'ry one;
He was so kind and full of fun.
Sometimes he'd hold me to his breast
And whisper, "Sunshine, go to rest."
I did not know what he meant then,
For I would go to sleep; say, he,
He was the nicest kind of man—
For he was just my daddy, see?

—Exchange.

The Last Trek.

It is in admirable spirit that The Spectator publishes a fine poem, "The Last Trek," from E. F. Garrett, treating sympathetically of the funeral progress through Capetown on December 16th of the former President. The allusion in the third verse is to the funeral of Cecil Rhodes, which passed through the same street on April 30th, 1902. The writer of the verses, it may be added, is a former editor of the Cape Times and friend of Cecil Rhodes. The verses are as follows:

THE LAST TREK.

Who comes, to sob of slow-breathed guns borne past
In solemn pageant? This is he that threw
Challenge to England. From the veld he drew
A strength that bade her sea-strength pause aghast,
Before the bastions vast
And infinite redoubts of the Karoo.

"Pass, friend!" who living were so stout a foe,
Unquelled, unwon, not uncommiserate!
The British sentry at Van Riebeck's gate
Salutes you, and as once three years ago
The crowd moves hushed and slow,
And silence holds the city desolate.

The long last trek begins. Now something thrills
Our English hearts, that, unconfessed and dim,
Drew Dutch hearts north, that April day, with him
Whose grave is hewn in the eternal hills.
The war of these two wills
Was as the warring of the Anakim.

What might have been, had these two been as one?
Or had the wise old peasant, wiser yet,
Taught strength to mate with freedom and beget
The true republic, nor, till sands and run,
Gripped close as Bible and gun
The keys of power, like some fond amulet?

He called to God for storm; and on his head—
Alas! not his alone—the thunders fell.
But not by his own text, who ill could spell,
Nor in our shallow scales shall he be weighed,
Whose dust, lapped round with lead,
To shrill debate lies inaccessible.

Bred up to beard the lion, youth and man
He towered the great chief of a little folk;
Till, once, the scarred old hunter missed his stroke,
And by the blue Mediterranean
Pined for some brackish pan
Far south, self-exiled, till the tired heart broke.

So ends the feud. Death gives for those cold lips
Our password. Home, then! by the northward way
He trod with heroes of the trek, when they
On seas of desert launched their wagon-ships.
The dream new worlds eclipse
Yet shed a glory through their narrower day.

Bear home your dead; nor from our wreaths recoil,
Sad Boers; like some rough foster-sire shall he
Be honored by our sons, co-heirs made free
Of Africa, like yours, by blood and toil,
And proud that British soil,
Which bore, received him back in obsequy.

—F. Edmund Garrett.

They tell this story in the commissioner's office at Ellis Island, New York:

Two Irish immigrants, just arrived, stood one morning on the government landing watching a dredger at work a few yards away. Presently a diver, full rigged, crawled painfully from the channel slime up a ladder to the deck of the dredge. One of the Irishmen, very much surprised, turned to his companion, and said:

"Look at that mon! Look at him. Begorra, if I'd known the way over I'd have walked, too."

"Madam," began the agent, as Mrs. Short opened the door, "have you a piano?"

"Yes," she answered.

"Well," he continued, "I am introducing a new automatic attachment for pianos, and if you"—

"Don't want it," interrupted Mrs. S., "our piano has a sheriff's attachment, and I guess that will hold it for a while."

AN ELEGY.

(Jimmy, the Old Rhinoceros of the Zoo, Is Dead.)

Jimmy, there are times and seasons
When the right thing must be done,
And I think, for sundry reasons,
This is pretty plainly one.

I will sing of you sedately,
Letting not my words be light,
Since I wot that you have lately
Passed into the Ewigkeit.

No more till the hour of closing
Shall Britannia's joyous sons,
Waking you from out your dozing,
Ply you with their penny buns.

No more shall your maw gigantic
Open in its old-time way,
Making little children frantic
With a natural dismay.

No more 'Arry shall accost you
With his customary joke;
We have definitely lost you,
And our hearts are well-nigh broke.

Still, though Cockney youths were rude to
You with some consistency,
There is one point I'd allude to,
Which appeals, old friend, to me.

Though you lived amid surroundings
Fraught with flurry, fume and fuss,
You resisted all their poundings—
You were pachydermatous.

Naught it mattered who elected
Men to sit on either side;
You were solidly protected
By the texture of your hide.

Little things like bye-elections
Made no difference to you;
You could eye the various sections
From a thick-skinned point of view.

When a fiscal question clattered,
Or a crisis rent the East,
You made clear that neither mattered
To you in the very least.

When a daily paper started
Asking us "Do we believe?"
You could laugh, oh, dear departed,
In your substitute for sleeve.

When another paper wondered
Whether our deserts we get,
While the controversy thundered
You were not observed to fret.

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